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21st "	PENINSULAR	5294	MARMORA	10509
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2. Form of Contract may, on payment of Re. 1, be obtained from the undersigned, who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

3. Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit for Item No. (1) of Rs. (100) One Hundred and for Item No (2) of Rs. (50) Fifty, to be paid to the Engineer of the Board in cash, and to be forfeited in case of withdrawal of Tender or of refusal to sign the Contract.

4. The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

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Trust Engineer's Office, Esplanade Road,
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C. KILLICK,
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The 5th March, 1906.

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J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 3rd March, 1906.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

EDWARD VII by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the Will of SHA BHIMJI RAMDAS late of Bombay, Dassa Shrimali Bania Hindu Inhabitant, a widower, a Mehta in the employ of Messrs. D. M. Petit Sons & Co., deceased.

MANMOHUNDAS BHIMJI and WARSEYDAS BHIMJI, both of Bombay, Dassa Sromali Bania Hindu Inhabitants, Mehtas in the employ of Chaturbhuj Virji and Shapurji Sorabji Mahimwalla respectively, and residing at 110 Mint Road within the Fort of Bombay, two of the sons and Executors named in the Will of the above deceased.................................Petitioners.

ALL persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness SIR LAWRENCE H. JENKINS, K. C. I. E. Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this Third day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine hundred and six and in the Sixth year of our Reign.

L. N. BANAJI,
Registrar.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

A. M. KAJIJI.
The 3rd day of March, 1906.

Messrs. BICKNELL, MERWANJI & ROMER.
Petitioner's Attorneys.

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AUCTION SALE of valuable landed properties at Dawood Kazi Moholla.

HIGH COURT—O. O. C. J.
Suit No. 651 of 1900.

Haji Esmail Haji Essac ....Plaintiff.
vs.
Khatizabai, wife of Goolam Hossein Soorti, and others ....Defendants.

Under instructions from Mr. Haji Goolam Mahomed Azam, the receiver appointed in the above suit, and in pursuance of the order made in the said suit on the 23rd day of November, 1905, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the time and place hereinafter mentioned the following properties:—

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 9th March, 1906, at 4 p.m., at the premises.

All that messuage or dwelling-house with the outbuildings and yard belonging thereto, situate in Dawood Kazi Moholla, in the Town of Bombay, bearing B Ward House Nos. 123-125, and bounded on the north by House Nos. 127-129 hereinafter secondly described, on or towards the south by the house of Abdul Hossein Lukmanji, on the east by sweepers' gully, and on the west by the said Dawood Kazi Moholla.

Secondly.—All that messuage or dwelling-house with the outbuildings and yard belonging thereto, situate in Dawood Kazi Moholla, in the Town of Bombay, bearing B Ward House Nos. 127-129, and bounded on the north by the house of Nakhoda Ismail Bharucha, on the south by House Nos. 123-125 hereinbefore particularly described, on the east by sweeper's gully, and on the west by the said Dawood Kazi Moholla.

For further particulars and condition of sale apply to Messrs Payne & Co., Receiver's Attorneys, or to the Undersigned.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 10th instant at 3-30 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods etc.

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For particulars and condition of these sales, respectively apply at the Municipal Commissioner's Office, Fort, or at the office of the Superintendent of Markets, Arthur Crawford Markets, or to the Undersigned. The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

On SUNDAY, the 18th instant, at 2 p. m., S. T., Messrs BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Tardeo, near Adamji Peerbhai Mills, and opposite the Tardeo Post Office, the very valuable and made to order dining, drawing and bed-room furniture of the latest design, rich glass and crockeryware, platedware by Reed and Barton and others, gun, iron coal stove with chimney, drawing-room suite of sofas and chairs lined green velvet, neatly design cabinet, marble-top tables and teapoys, rich porcelain flower pots and ornaments, dressing and wash-hand tables, iron and brass beds and, easy chair, chest of drawer, almyrah, one combination of sewing machine converted into ladies writing desk, velvet pile carpets and rugs, ladies side secretariat with drawers, hat stand sideboard and dumbwaiters, meatsafe, cane chairs, cupboards, rich flower vases, Dresden figures and ornaments, hanging and table lamps, one ice-box with refrigerator, one sweettoned ebonized cottage piano by S. Rose & Co, in good order, pictures and oleographs, screens and purdahs, telescopic hall lamp, parian figures. Army and Navy 50 candle power sun light lamps, gentlemen's and lady's bicycles, iron stove with chimney, one perambulator, superior silver plate, spoons and forks, air gun, purdahs, China matting garden flower pots, &c., &c.

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AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES AT BREACH CANDY OR GIRGAUM ROAD.

Suit No. 64 of 1903.

Fazalbhai Visram and others..............................Plaintiffs.
vs.
Sadanand Trimback Kale and others......................Defendants.

Under instructions from the Special Commissioner appointed in the above suit and in pursuance of the decree herein bearing date the 1st day of August, 1903, Messrs. BENNETT & Co., will on WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst., at 1-30 p. m. sell by Public Auction on the premises, either in one or in 3 separate lots as the said separate lots may be convenient, the following very valuable landed properties:—

Lot No. I.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate on the West Side of Breach Candy or Girgaum Road in the registration Sub-district of Bombay without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 219 sq yards or thereabouts, Assessed along with lot No. II by the Collector of Land Revenue formerly under No. 127, and now under old No. New No. Old survey No. new Survey No and by the Municipality under ward No. 2135, St No. 278 280, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the East by the said Breach Candy or Girgaum Road, on or towards the West by a public Road or passage on or towards the South by the house of Phillip Maria and on or towards the north by the said lot No. II.

Lot No. II.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate on the West side of Breach Candy or Girgaum Road in the Registration sub-district of Bombay without the Fort of Bombay containing by admeasurement 753 sqr. yards or thereabouts, assessed along with lot No. I, by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. New No. Old Survey No. New Survey No. and by the Municipality under Ward No. 2136, 2137, Street No 271-275-1, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the East by the Breach Candy or Girgaum Road, on or towards the West by a public passage, on or towards the South by the said lot No I and on or towards the North partly by lot III and partly by the house of Dadabhoy Jehangirjee.

Lot No. III.—All that piece or parcel of land together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon situate on the West side of the Breach Candy or Girgaum Road, in the Registration sub district of Bombay without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 165 square yards, formerly Assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 127, and now under Collector's old No., New No., Old Survey No., New Survey No., and by the Municipality under Ward No. 2135, Street No. 265-270-277, and bounded as follows:—That is to say on or towards the East by the said Breach Candy Road, on or towards the West and South by the said lot No. 2, and on or towards the North by the property belonging to Hormasjee Edaljee.

For further particulars and conditions apply to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE BUILDING PLOTS AT GOWALIA TANK ROAD.

Unless previously disposed of by private contracts Messrs BENNETT & Co. will, under instructions from the Executor of Bai Goolbai widow of the late Dhunjeebhoy Cursetjee Shroff, sell by Public Auction on the premises on WEDNESDAY the 11th day of April, 1906, at 5-15 p.m. (standard Time) the undermentioned very valuable building plots fronting the Gowalia Tank Road.

PLOT A.

Plot A comprising 1,420 square yards or thereabouts, having road frontage of about 93 feet, and average depth of about 153 feet, and bounded as follows:—On the East by the Plot B. on the North by the Gowalia Tank Road, on the West by the property of Dadabhoy Cursetjee Furdoonjee, on the South by the Gocooldass Tejpal Sanscrit College and Seminary.

PLOT B.

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Bombay, 9th March, 1906.
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RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS...........	£800,000

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On MONDAY, the 12th instant, at 2-30 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following:—

The property of a gentleman furniture such as tables, chairs sofas, easy chairs, clothes press, cup-boards, chest of drawers writing dressing and wash-hand tables, iron safes, magic lantern with lens gent's dressing cases.

The property of a European gentleman, consisting of silver toast rack, scent bottle, bowls, sweet dish, cream jug, cup, visiting card tray, flask, platedware pearl cross, gold brooch, earring bracelet ring, etc.

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1 light rubber-tyred victoria.
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1 jinricksha.
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And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

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On Tuesday, the 13th Inst. at 2 p m. Messrs. Crawford & Co. are instructed to sell by public Auction by order of the concerned at Parsee Bazar Street, Fort, next to Messrs. Graham & Co. a large collection of valuable new books bound in morocco leather and cloth consisting of History of the Nizam in English, Gujrati and Hindoostani, Glympses of India, Bibles, Life and Times of Queen Victoria, History of Freemasonry by Robert Gould, The Durham Light Infantry Representative men of the Bombay Presidency, Famous Paintings of the World The Life and Reign of Queen Victoria British, Boer War, Magic city etc.

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On WEDNESDAY, the 14th Inst. at 2 p. m, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction opposite the Bank of Bombay, and above the Telephone Office, in Bank Street, Fort, valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood household furniture, drawing room suits of sofas and chair lined velvet, square ebonized piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne, dining table, side board, meatsafe cup-boards mirror almirahs, dressing and wash hand tables, cheval glass, glassware, crockery ware, lamps, pictures, table ornaments, etc, the property of a gentleman.

The property will be on view three days before the sale.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the "Cabins," middle Colaba opposite the Post Office, under instructions the valuable and handsome French-polished teakwood and blackwood dining room drawing room, office and bedroom furniture, rich, glassware and crockeryware platedware, sweet toned mahogany square piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne with proof table and hanging lamps, rich table ornament, picture carpets, etc, the property of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. POPPLEWELL.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF THE PRINTING AND OTHER MACHINES, OIL ENGINE, etc., of the "Indian Sporting Times" Printing Press.

HIGH COURT.
Suit No. 345 of 1905.

Rahim Vallimahomed Pirmahomed........ Plaintiff.
vs.
C A Ellis .... Defendant.

Under instructions from N.C. Macleod, Esq, the Receiver appointed in the above suit and on account and at the risk of the first purchaser Mr. R Fischer, Messrs CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 p m, at the above Press in Bank Street, and opposite the Government Central Press, all the machines, etc, of the said press, consisting of printing and cutting machines by Payne & Sons, half foolscap tradle machine by Chandler and Price, stitching machine, Crossley's Patent Oil Engine and with boiler, Shiftings, types, type cases, wooden galley, press, etc.

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On THURSDAY, the 29th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 7, Reay House, Ormiston Road, Apollo Bunder, (opposite the Taj Mahal Hotel), the valuable and neat dining room, drawing room and bedroom furniture, sideboard by Wimbridge, telescopic table with extra pieces, Indian carved cabinet and flower stands, Singers Sewing Machine, gents bicycle, platedware, table ornaments, lamps, pictures, carpet, etc etc., the property of MAX DOELLY, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 9th March, 1906.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
No. 31, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 9th instant at 3-30 p. m. Standard Time, the materials for removal of the following buildings:—

The materials of buildings street Nos. 73-75, 71; 67-69 1,437 43 in Lohar Street.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on the premises on Monday the 12th instant, at 3-30 p. m. Standard Time the materials for removal of the following building:—

The materials of buildings street No. 3, 9, 6, 5, French Road.

The materials of buildings street No. 71, 7-3, Gamdevi Road.

The materials of building street No. 1 and 2 and 4, Gowalia Tank Road.

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Cooked, ready for table, whole or half Ham	,,	2	0
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Harris' Crown Brand, Real Wilt's Middle, Special Cure, 20 to 30 lbs. each...	,,	1	2
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Bacon in Canvas at original weights.

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GORGONZOLA Real, 12 to 18 lbs. each	per lbs.	1	4
GORGONZOLA Real, on cut	,,	1	6
Cheshire, English	,,	1	0
Gruyere, finest quality	,,	1	0
Chedder, Pale Loaf, about 12 lbs. each	,,	0	14
American Cheshire	,,	0	12
Double Gloster	,,	0	14
Edams, Dutch (whole Cheese only about 4 lbs. each)	,,	0	12
Imperial in Jars	per jar	1	0
Camembert, in tins	pea tin	1	4

New price List on Application.

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SECURITIES—		
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	90 11-16	= + 5-16
3 do. Rentes	mutilated	=
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	do	=
3 1-2 per cent Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	do	=
SILVER—		
Spot in London	29 5-8	= unchanged
2 months hence	29 3-16	= + 1-16
Spot in New York	64 1-8	= unchanged
EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25·15	= do
Berlin ,,	20·48	= — 3-4
New York Demand	4·85 5-8	= — 1-8
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	4 per cent	= unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	3 1-2 do	= do
6 ,, ,,	3 do	= do
3 ,, ,, Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8 do	= do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8 do	= do
INTEREST—		
Day to day loans	3 1-2 do	= + 3-8
7 day market loans	3 1-8 do	= unchanged

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 1,00,00,000

Rs. 31·60 were allotted to Calcutta
Rs. 44·30 do Bombay
Rs. 24·10 do Madras

Rs. 100·00 at 1s 4 1/32d.

Minimum rate received 36 per cent. average rate 16·03

Telegraphic Transfers—Nil

Total amount sold during the week, Rs. 1,02,00,000

Amount to be allotted next week, Rs. 80,00,000

Extra allotments nil

TALLOW.

Finest Australian Beef	29-6
,, Mutton	30-0

Tone of Auction dull

SUGAR—German granulated 1st marks 10 2 1-4 March, sellers quiet

WHEAT—Quiet but steady

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore 42 3-8 — 1-8 A-M sellers dull
Brown 39 1-2 — 1-2 A-M done dull

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 43 1-2 — 3-4 A-M done dull

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 7-16

ARRIVAL—
Steamer—Glenaffrie

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed active. East Indian quiet. Manchester firm. Total Sales 20,000. Spot 5·95 plus 6. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 7-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 1,500. Imports 26,000. Futures closed quiet.

Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
5·78	5·80	5·82
+4	+4	+3
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sep.
5·84	5·86	5·83
+3	+3	+3
Sep.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·65	5·61	5·60
		+1

Receipts at U S Ports	19,000
Do last year	24,000
Exports to Great Britain	5,000
Do. do Continent	3,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	11 25 — 5
Futures, month of March	10·56 — 7
Do do. July	10·37 — 6

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a Advanced early owing to bull support and short covering and declined later through bear pressure and bulls unloading.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	10 13-16
Futures, month of May	10·89 — 7
Do. do. July	11·04 — 7
Tone at close	steady

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 7th March 1906:—

Cotton	9,503	bales.
Wheat	12,211	owts.
Linseed	7,780	do
Rape, Rai and Mustard	103	do
Gingellyseed	2,209	do
Poppyseed	106	do
Groundnut	1,233	do
Castorseed	4,563	do
Rice	113,551	do
Myrabollams	8,614	do
Cottonseed	2,641	do
Mowraseed	nil	
Gram	4,779	do
Joowar	916	do
Maize	nil	

BOMBAY, MARCH 8.

EXCHANGE.—Tone Weak.

Bank T.T.	...	...	...	1s 4 1-32d.
Bank Demand	...	...	...	1-16 at 1-32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D.A.				1s 4 1-4d.
Do. 6	do.	do.	...	1s 4 11-32d.
French Francs 3	do.	do.	...	170 1-4
Marcks 3	do.	do.	...	139
Hongkong 30	Days Sight		...	147 1-2
Shanghai 30	do		...	205
Japan 30	do.		...	149 3-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.

Cash	98·12
1st Settlement, 30th March	98·15

Money Market. Tone steady.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England	since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.
Bank of Bombay	do. 1st Feb.	9	do.
Bank of Bengal	do. 1st ,,	9	do.
Bank of Madras	do. 16th Jan.	8	do.

SEEDS.

	Rs.	a.	p.
LINSEED—Tone quiet.			
Ready	7	11	0
Forward April-May	8	2	0
RAPESEED.—Tone quiet			
Brown Cawnpore quiet.	......		
Do Forward April-May	6	10	0
Yellow Cawnpore	......		
Do Forward do	7	6	0
Yellow Gujerat	......		
Do. Forward do	7	8	0
POPPYSEED—Tone quiet.			
Ready	8	0	0
CASTORSEED—Tone quiet.			
Ready	34	0	0
GINGELLYSEED—Tone quiet.			
Howree Khandeish	46		
15 per cent. Mixed	45		
25 per cent do.	44		
50 per cent do.	41		
Black Kutnee	33		
WHEAT—Tone quiet.			
White Delhi April-May	5	1	0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	easier.
Estimated sales	12,000 Bales
Imports	12,000 ,,

Mar.-April	April-May	May-June.
5·74	5·76	5·78
+4	—4	—4
June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.
5·80	5·82	5·79
—4	—4	—4
Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.
5·63	5·59	5·58
—2	—2	—2

COTTON.—The market opened firm with quotations about Rs. 1 to 2 higher than yesterday, but at the close there is a quarter feelling. Some purchases more reported on account of Japan shippers but the actual to-morrow at Colaba is small.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited:—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	192	184	...	Ready.
Bengals (M.-G.) Ry. terms	196	186	...	do.
Sind-Punjab (M. G.)	195	185	...	do.
Oomrawuttee (descriptions) M.-G.	213	207	...	do.
Khandeish (M.-G.)	208	201	...	do.
Jalgaum (M.-G.)	...	203	...	do.
Khundwa (M.-G.)	...	207	...	do
Khangaum, fair staple (M.-G.) Karanja do. (M.-G) Akola do. (M.-G.)	213	207	...	do.
Oomra, good staple (M.-G.)	...	224	...	do.
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	218	212	...	do.
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	225	219	...	do.
Broach (M.-G.)	270	266	264	do.
Yeotmal (M.-G.)	223	217	...	do.
Muttia (M.-G.)	203	202	...	do.
Dharwar (S.-G.)	...	...	256	25. May
Westerns	...	...	233	do.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	6	3	15
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	18	16	35
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	23	13	49
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	4	4	15
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	27	25	71
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	13
G Mahim and Worli	2	1	14
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	2
Hospitals	0	1	12
Total	80	63	226
Total plague deaths to date	306,004	22,631	215
Same date last year	114	104	222

SMALL-POX.

Attack	Deaths
6	0

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IT'S A WAY THEY HAVE IN THE ARMY.	By Lady Helen Forbes.
THE HUNDRED DAYS.	By Max Pemberton.
SOPRANO: A PORTRAIT.	By F Marion Crawford.
THE PRODIGAL SON.	By Hall Caine.
A NINE DAYS WONDER.	By B M Croker.
STARVECROW FARM.	By Stanley Weyman.

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YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association was held last evening in the Association's building, Wellington Lines, the Hon. Sir Steyning Edgerley presiding. There was a large audience of ladies and gentlemen; and the hall where the meeting was held, was filled to its utmost capacity.

After the opening hymn, and prayer by the Rev. Dr. Mackichan, Miss McElroy, the General Secretary read the report for 1905, which stated:—Organised in 1875, the Bombay Y. W. C. A. blossomed into fuller growth and higher usefulness with the erection of the present home in 1901. The celebration of its 30th anniversary along with that of the 50th anniversary of the parent association by a public meeting in the Town Hall, on the 7th inst., was the first event of importance in 1905. Under the able leadership of its esteemed President, Lady Hughes, supported by a strong Committee, representing the different Protestant Churches of the city, and a small staff of resident workers, the Association had gone steadily forward the past year, old lines of work being strengthened and new avenues of usefulness opened. The central building had been the scene of great activity, the total attendance at the Institute for the year being 21,776, at the Home 18,224, an average of 110 using the building per day. In spite of many losses, the membership at the close of the year showed a gain of 47, and 882 members were now enrolled. The Association Home continued most popular as a place of residence for girls at work in Bombay and as a temporary stopping-place to missionaries and other visitors from up-country. On an average, 50 have been in residence every day of the year. The minimum charge for board and room is Rs. 20 per month. If girls are out of work, they are often kept for weeks, or even months without payment of board though they are encouraged to pay arrears later, if able to do so. The occupations represented are, in order of members, teachers, nurses, typists and clerks, shop-assistants, telephone operators, dress-makers, milliners, and proof-readers. From the large office, which is in use for business proposes, 11,275 letters were sent out in 1905, 7,800 Bible notes, 4,716 magazines, and thousands of invitations, announcements, and circulars. At this office, too, all monies received were recorded and receipted for, before being passed on to the honorary treasurer. Rs. 23,000 passed through during the past year. The general work of the Association may be outlined under the heads educational physical, social, spiritual. To arouse ambition and implant in young women a desire for the highest use of all their powers, the development of all sides of their nature, was the purpose of the Association. The spiritual purpose of the Association was clearly recognised, and from the beginning it had been identified with the Christian Church. In its Bible classes and other meetings, it aimed simply to emphasize purity of heart and life, love to God and man, the reality of Christ's power to enable young women to meet the temptations of every day life, etc. Bible classes, services of song, and other meetings were held to the number of 336 with an attendance of 5,593, an average of 126 weekly, throughout the year. A strong feature of the Association in the past year had been the gathering of the members of kindred spirits and similar aims into clubs, where work of a varied nature had been carried on. The members had pleasant recollections of two afternoons spent at Malabar Hill by the kind invitation of Miss Batty and of Sir Steyning Edgerley, and more recently of a moonlight drive and a delightful party given to them and the Home girls by Mr. and Mrs. H. E. E. Proctor. For the married members a special organisation was started, in which the discussion of matters relating to the home-life had a prominent place. In addition to the work at headquarters, socials, work parties, and Bible classes were carried on at the branch centres in Colaba, Byculla, Girgaum, Grant Road, and Parel. The Home has been entirely self-sustaining, and the general expenses had been met by members' fees.

The Lord Bishop made a few remarks in reference to the magnificent report which had been read, and which showed an immense amount of varied and excellent work. He said he was really almost bewildered as to the amount of physical, intellectual, social, and spiritual development going on in this place. The Bombay Branch of the Y. W. C. A. was a distinctly going concern, and he was glad to see that pleasure, and happiness, and all that made life bright was cared for and looked after in this Association. An immense amount of hand work was done, and it was a real pleasure to know that the brighter side of life was cared for. The Bishop then delivered an address on the subject of a Woman's love for Christ.

The Hon. Miss. E. Kinnaird briefly addressed the meeting on the work of the Association. The Chairman expressed the thanks of the meeting to Miss Kinnaird and the Bishop, and expressed his high appreciation of the work done by Miss McElroy, and thanked the voluntary band of workers, and especially the President, Lady Hughes. The proceedings closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman proposed by Dr. Mackichan.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 8TH MARCH.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has decreased almost everywhere, the fall having been brisk to rapid at most places.

Winds are variable in direction and the force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—Both maximum and minimum is in large defect of normal over the greater part of the country. The highest temperature in the shade was 102° at Cuddapah and the lowest 49° at Indore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast in Sind, the Punjab, Rajputana and Central India and at Agra, Deesa, Ahmedabad, Bhuj, Hosangabad and Trichinopoly.

Rain.—Nil.

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N. LESLIE,
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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

FAWKES—March 5, at Allahabad, the wife of A H Fawkes. U P Police, of a daughter.

HERBERT—March 1, at Buldana, Berar, the wife of Arthur Herbert, District Superintendent of Police, of a daughter.

MACKENZIE—March 5, at 24 Cantonments, Cawnpore the wife of the Rev W A MacKenzie, Church of Scotland, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

MILNER—SLANE—February 28, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Lalbagh Lucknow, Claude Milner, of the Bank of Upper India, Limited, Meerut, to Maud Ivy, third daughter of the late Richard Slane Esq. Examiner of Military Accounts.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h 14m. Sun sets, 6h. 8m. High water, 10-17m., 11-5t. Low water, 4-31m., 4-24t.
Departure of H E. the Governor for Karachi by s.s. Dufferin, 10 a.m.
P. and O. s.s. Peninsular, with English mails of 23rd ult., due to arrive at 2 p.m.
Masonic Ball, Town Hall.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Mauritius via Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p. m. to day. A supplemental one will also be closed at 7-30 p.m. on the 10 idem.

ARRIVAL OF THE RANI OF DERA.—Suroopbal Kumar, Rani of Dera, Sultanpoor, accompanied by 39 followers has arrived in Bombay, from Rameshwar and has now put up in the Mahadeo Baug.

BURGLARY AND THEFT.—Mainoodin Lavang, a shop-keeper, residing at De Lisle Road, reported to the police that some burglars had entered his house by breaking the lock on Wednesday night during his absence in town. Theft was committed of gold and silver ornaments and wearing apparel collectively valued at about Rs. 1,632.

A FATAL ACCIDENT TO A CHILD.—Awabai, a girl aged two years and residing with her parents on the third floor of a house at Taudel Street, while playing on the verandah of the house, fell through the railings, on the roof of an adjoining house, a distance of about twenty feet. It was at about 6 p.m. on Wednesday. The fall turned out to be fatal, as she died instantly.

SUDDEN DEATH IN A RAILWAY STATION.—Our Bhownagar Correspondent writing on March 7, says: A very pathetic scene occurred at Dhola yesterday, on arrival of the mail train from Wadhwan, a Mehmon, who was travelling in a first class carriage, came out on the platform, visited his friends and relatives who had come from Upleta to meet him and fell dead on the platform; the death being due to heart failure. The dead body was taken to Upleta, 105 miles, in a special train. The deceased was opulent and was coming from Burwan.

KERRAWALLA'S TEXTILE AND ENGINEERING DIRECTORY AND YEAR-BOOK FOR 1906. This is the first issue of a publication that has come to swell the long list of such books for the office table. The information supplied in this Directory is of the sort useful to those engaged in textile and engineering industries; it contains tables in constant use by merchants and manufacturers, something about Indian Cotton, Woollen, Silk, and Jute mills, mill holidays and bank holidays; Iron-works in India, Japan and China mills, with roomy pages for diary entries and memoranda, interleaved with blotting paper and neatly bound.

HOUSE-BREAKING AND THEFT.—Jafferjee Rasoolji, residing in his own house in a cross lane off the Ripon Road, has reported to the police that on the 24th of February last, he left his house to reside in Phool Gully for the Mohorrum festival days. He left the house in charge of his coachman Mahomed. On the night of Tuesday last, during the coachman's absence at Doudbaugh, some persons effected an entrance into the house by breaking the door-chain and removing the lock off the front door. A theft was then committed of gold and silver ornaments valued at about Rs. 564, and of pieces of silk and embroidered wearing apparel and some cash collectively valued at a further sum of about Rs. 874. The complainant suspects nobody.

DEATH OF MR. BABAJI KASHINATH, J. P.—The death occurred yesterday morning of Mr. Babaji Kashinathji Hatkar, J. P., at his house, Palao Road, from old age, at the ripe age of 85. The deceased gentleman was of an amiable disposition and was the second son-in-law of the late Hon. Jagannath Shankarshet and was one of the prominent members of the Bombay Daivadnya Community. He had for many years retired from active life and chiefly devoted himself to "Shravan Bhakti." Out of his estate he had lately set apart Rs. 50,000 under Trust, the interest of which is to be utilized for the maintenance and education of the poor and needy of his community. Sir Bhalchandra K. Bhatwadekar, and Messrs Raoji V. J. Shankerset, Narayan K. Murkute and Narayen S. Davrukhkar, B.A., LL.B. have been appointed by him the trustees of the endowment. The members of his caste were about to congratulate him at a public meeting for his munificent gift for the benefit of his castemen, but in the meantime, the grim hand of death separated him from amongst them. He was a widower for many years, and having had no issue, had adopted his nephew but he, unfortunately, some years ago, died at a young age, leaving a widow and a daughter. The loss of the deceased gentleman will be mourned by all who knew him.

THE strike in Dundee cannot fail to have a stimulating effect on the jute industry in Calcutta, even though the closing of the Scotch mills is only of a temporary kind. The prices of the raw material must fall as the demand for export lessens; and, at the same time, the visible supply of gunny-bags must become smaller as the looms at Dundee remain idle. There should be an upward movement in the Calcutta share market, where prices have been very steady for the last few weeks.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

AN adjourned monthly meeting of the members of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Hall, the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta presiding.

ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE GREAT CHUCKLA FIRE.

Mr. R. J. Kent had given notice to move:—That the Commissioner be asked to report.—Weather in passing plants for new buildings of more than a ground floor and one upper storey it is practicable to insist on an emergency staircase being provided at the outside of the building, the staircase to be of iron and used in the event of fire. Whether it is possible to insist on such a staircase being provided in the case of existing buildings where conditions admit of such a staircase being introduced.

Lieutenant-Colonel M. A. T. Collie had given notice to move, in connection with the great Chuckla fire:—That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to report as early as possible what measures he considers necessary for promptly and efficiently dealing with fires in the City and the approximate cost thereof. The report to include.—(1.) The speedy supply of water at a pressure sufficient to enable the Fire-Engines to act promptly:—(2.) The provision of an adequate number of suitable fire-escapes throughout the City.—(3.) The advisability of erecting in the streets alarums which shall communicate with both the fire stations and the centres for controlling the water supply.—(4.) Any suggestions for modifying the building bye-laws (a) to ensure adequate means of exit from houses in case of fire and (b) to prevent the complete barring of windows above the ground-floor.

Dr. Dinsha Bomanji Pestonji Master had given notice to move in connection with the fire:—"That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to be so good as to report the time at which the first fire engine and the first fire escape arrived on the scene of the recent fire at Chukla Street. If the exact time of arrival was not noted by the Chief of the Fire Brigade, the Commissioner will be good enough to give the approximate time at which the first fire escape reached the spot, after the arrival of the first fire-engine. (b) In view of the present unavoidable delay in the arrival of the fire-escape owing to hand traction and its attendant serious consequences, is it not necessary to employ either horse, or more preferably motor traction for the prompt carring of the fire-escapes to scene of fire? (c) What would be the approximate cost of employing either of the two methods that the Commissioner may think desirable."

Mr. Kazi Kabiroodin had given notice to move:—"That a Committee to be nominated in the meeting be appointed to enquire into the causes that led to (1) the stoppage of supply of water on that occasion and (2) the late arrival of fire-escapes to the scene of fire and to suggest ways and means by which such catastrophes may be averted in future.'"

Dr. Jehangir J. Cursetjee had given notice to move:—"That in view of the loss of life during some of the fires that have taken place in this City within recent years, the Corporation are of opinion—(1) That it is very necessary that adequate provision should be made for the free and rapid ingress and egress of the inmates of all such buildings as are intended for dwelling-houses, or for carrying on any trade or business in which a number of people exceeding forty may be living or are employed, or are used as places of public resort. (2) That in all such buildings, more than one separate staircase, each at least 3 feet wide, should be provided in distinct parts of the building. (3) That in such of the existing buildings of the character above mentioned, where it is practicable to do so, similar separate staircases should be enforced. (4) That the Commissioner be requested to submit definite proposals, to enable him to carry them out with the least possible friction and hardship, for the consideration and sanction of the Corporation and of Government.

The President suggested that before a Committee was appointed to investigate and report into the different circumstances attendant upon the Chuckla fire, the best thing for them to do was to ask the Commissioner to furnish them with a detailed report in connection with the fire. In justice to the Commissioner and to enable the Corporation to take due steps in the matter, it was essential to let the Commissioner, who was responsible for every thing his subordinate officers did, have his own say in the matter. His report on the fire would furnish them with a basis on which to take future steps.

On the suggestion of the President, Mr. Kent moved that the Commissioner be requested to submit to the Corporation within one month, a full and complete report of all the circumstances and events of the recent Chuckla fire and on all matters referred to in the various notices of motions together with such suggestions and measures as he may consider desirable.

Lieut.-Col. Collie having seconded the motion it was unanimously adopted.

CORPORATION'S REGRET FOR THE HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE IN THE CHUCKLA FIRE.

Mr. Kazi Kabiroodin, in accordance with notice given, moved—and it was carried:—"That the Municipal Corporation expresses its regret for the heavy loss of life which took place by the burning down of a house at Chuckla and extends its sympathy to the survivors of this occurrence.

FREE AND COMPULSORY PRIMARY EDUCATION IN BOMBAY.

The following letter to the President from the Secretary to Government was before the meeting for its consideration:—"I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to reply to your letter No. 2629, dated the 1st September 1905, in which you communicate to Government a Resolution of the Corporation expressing the opinion that the time has arrived when the question of introducing free and compulsory primary education into the City of Bombay should be investigated, and convey the request of the Corporation that Government may be pleased to appoint a Joint Committee to investigate and report upon the matter. I am to say that the subject is one to which the Governor in Council has given his most careful attention. The desire manifested by the Corporation, as implied in the terms of their Resolution, to bring the benefits of primary education within the reach of all classes of the population has the entire concurrence of His Excellency, and I am to say that the Corporation may count on receiving from Government every assistance in the inauguration and execution of any measures which may be expected to produce results tending in a practical manner to further the extension of education among the mass of the people in Bombay. His Excellency the Governor in Council, while himself very doubtful—having regard to the many and obvious difficulties which present themselves—whether it be practicable to introduce in Bombay in the near future anything resembling universal compulsory education, directs me to express his cordial appreciation of the interest evinced by the Corporation in the subject, and to say that Government are prepared to accede to their request for a Joint Committee to investigate it. To the Governor in Council it appears desirable that the enquiries of this Committee should not be limited to the practicability of introducing free and compulsory education, but should embrace any measures of reform whereby they conceive that primary education would be materially extended. The financial results of any measures which may be recommended, and the degree to which Government and the Municipality respectively ought to contribute should be fully treated by the Committee in their report. I am to say that His Excellency the Governor in Council proposes that the Joint Committee to be appointed should consist of the Director of Public Instruction, the Municipal Commissioner, the Chairman of the Joint Schools' Committee and a Member to be nominated by the Corporation. Government are of opinion that this Committee will be able, after making such investigation as they consider necessary, to supply information which will place both Government and the Corporation in a position to come to a conclusion as to whether any, and if so, what further action is desirable with the object of effecting an extension of the facilities for primary education in the City of Bombay. "I am to enquire if these proposals meet with the assent of the Corporation, and to request that in the event of their doing so, Government may be informed of the name of the gentleman who may be nominated by the Corporation as a Member of the suggested Joint Committee and whether they have any objection to the Municipal Commissioner serving thereon."

The Hon. Mr. Ibrahim proposed that the President be requested to inform Government that the Corporation concurred in the proposals for the appointment of a Joint-Committee for the investigation of the question of introducing free and compulsory primary education into the City of Bombay and as to the nature of the enquiries to be made by the Committee, and begged respectfully to suggest that they might be asked to nominate two members thereon; and that the Commissioner be authorised to work on the Committee.

Dr. Viegas having seconded the motion it was carried.

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE COST OF THE CENSUS.

The following letter from the Commissioner in connection with the contributions towards the cost of the Bombay Census was recorded:—

"With reference to the Corporation resolution sanctioning a grant of Rs. 20,000 to meet the cost of the Census, I have the honour to state that the Port Trustees and the Improvement Trust have since replied to my communication asking if they will contribute towards the cost of the operations. The Port Trustees inform me that they have no authority to incur the expenditure on or contribute towards the cost of a Municipal Census of the city, but that they will render all other possible assistance. The Improvement Trust have intimated their willingness to make a contribution of Rs. 2,500."

ENQUIRIES RE THE CHIEF STORE KEEPER.

Mr. Jehangir B. Petit, in accordance with notice given moved and it was carried:—"That the Municipal Commissioner be requested to report—(a) Whether it is a fact that the Chief Store-keeper has resigned. (b) If so, what are the reasons which induced the store-keeepr to resign his post. (c) Whether stock of the store was taken after his resignation and any deficiency traced. (d) Whether it is also a fact that the Executive Engineer wanted to prosecute him for some offence, and (e) If so, what was the reason of such an intended action by the Executive Engineer, and (f) What reasons weighed with the Commissioner to act differently."

CORPORATION'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE CITY IMPROVEMENT TRUST BOARD.

The following letter from the Secretary, City Improvement Trust, was placed before the meeting:—"I am directed to inform you that, in accordance with Section 12 (3) of Act IV of 1898, the term of office of the Hon'ble Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola as a Trustee on this Board, expires on the 31st day of March 1906, and to request that the necessary steps may please be taken for the fresh election, in terms of Section 11 of the Act."

The President said that the only thing he had to do in the matter was to declare the result of the fresh election and that was that the Hon. Mr Ibrahim Rahimtoola was re-elected a Trustee on the Improvement Trust Board to represent the Corporation. (Applause).

CASES OF ERYSIPELAS AND THE ARTHUR ROAD HOSPITAL.

Consideration was given to a letter from the Commissioner with reference to a Corporation resolution which requested the Commissioner not to admit cases of erysipelas into the Arthur Road Hospital. He drew attention of the Corporation to the following resolution of Government in the matter:—

"The Municipal Commissioner should be informed that Government are advised that erysipelas is, within the meaning of Section 3 (as) of the Bombay City Municipal Act, III of 1888, a dangerous disease, for dealing with which the Corporation is responsible under Section 61 (g) of the same Act, and that they are further advised that patients suffering from erysipelas should not be admitted into hospitals such as the Jamshedji Jijibhai Hospital and the Gokaldas Tejpal Hospital which are not intended for the reception of infectious cases. Government therefore regret that they are unable to accept the proposal made by the Municipal Health Officer."

After some discussion it was resolved that the Commissioner be informed that the Corporation were of opinion that erysipelas did not fall within the definition of a dangerous disease.

Transacting some other business, the meeting adjourned till Moday next.

THE OVERLAND ROUTE.

THE day has long gone by when the Suez Canal was the only way for Anglo-Indians to return home. It is still the only way for those who wish to take short leave, but for those who have a little more time at their disposal and an inclination to go further afield there is much allurement in the offers held out by the San Francisco Overland Route. A large map which is being rapidly distributed around Bombay, and indeed in many other parts of India, gives a general idea of the systems by which the journey is made. For the overland route is the result of many combinations. The Pacific Mail Steamship Company, the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company, and the Toyo Kaisen Kaisha, with their magnificent steamers, all share the duties of carrying the passengers across the Pacific and incidentally take them through scenes which are the dreams of many who have not travelled nearly half way round the world before they have a chance of even thinking of a voyage home. At San Francisco starts the long journey across the country as remarkable in its modernity as the Far East is for its adhesion to customs centuries old. The journey from San Francisco across to New York is a long one, but the American Railway Manager knows how best to compete with distance, and "The Overland Limited" is reputed to be the most comfortable train in the world. The lines brought into play on the run are the Southern Pacific, the Union Pacific, the Chicago and North-Western and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railways. For the man who wants to "get there," there is the long run, but the majority of those who choose this route will not be satisfied with a railway carriage view of the country, even though it lies through some of the most picturesque scenery on the North American continent. The difficulty always is to decide what to see and what to leave out, but the Overland Route Managers have worked up a name not only for speed and efficiency but also for comfort, and those who contemplate taking the trip will find no difficulty in mapping out a programme from the voluminous literature which lies in the wake of Mr. T. D. McKay, the General Passenger Agent whose advertisement in another column offers many attractions to those who wish to escape the Red Sea.

SUICIDE OF A EUROPEAN LADY.

AT DeLisle Road yesterday, Mr. P. Byrne, conducted an inquest relative to the death of a European lady named Mrs. Broadly, aged 38 years. Mr. Richard James Broadly, Superintending-Engineer of Messrs. Greaves, Cotton and Company's Mills, deposed that the deceased was his wife. For the last two years she had been in a strange condition of mind. Within the last eight years she had lost her four children, and also her father, mother and nephew. She was sometimes depressed, sometimes hysterical and sometimes wandering in her thoughts. She had been attended regularly by Dr. J. DeQuadros. At about 10 p. m. on Wednesday last she went to bed. Witness went to bed in an adjoining room. At 6 o'clock the following morning he went into her room and found her absent, though her baby was sleeping there. He found the bath-room door shut. He burst it open and saw her lying dead on the floor. There was a cup and bottle near her, which contained carbolic acid which had been prescribed for external use. A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was returned.

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The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1906.

BOMBAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE annual meeting of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday differed from the usual run of meetings in that other members than the Chairman expressed their views on commercial topics of the day. The Hon'ble Mr. Armstrong, however, made an exhaustive review of the subjects—a large variety of them—which have occupied the attention of the Chamber in the past year. He showed that they had neglected no opportunity of safeguarding the interests of Bombay, as a manufacturing as well as a shipping centre, and that they have made representations to Government on numerous matters of commercial and industrial importance. The Factories Act Amendment Bill has been one of them, and the Chamber, not misled by untimely and ill considered agitation, has offered suggestions to Government such as we hope will produce a measure of advantage both to masters and men. The Chamber, through the Chairman, expressed its satisfaction with the increasing interest recently manifested by the Government of India in commercial and Industrial development, and its high appreciation of the good work done by the Department of Commerce and Industry. The progress is acknowledged to have been striking, but Mr. Armstrong is hopeful—doubtless not without reason—that development hereafter will be even more rapid and that at the end of another decade further substantial progress will be shown in every direction. That substantial progress is generally foreseen, and it may be mentioned that there are many commercial prophets who foretell that by the date the new dock extension and railway are completed it will be high time to commence still further extensions for the accommodation of Bombay's commerce. Towards this development, of course, agriculture is expected largely to contribute, and the Chamber undertakes so far as the districts of this presidency are concerned to watch with interest the experiments about to be made with the object of improving various growths of country cotton. This, as the Chairman remarked, will be a most useful work and one that in all probability, in the long run, will be more likely to be successful, and of value in this part of India than the cultivation of other seeds for the finer counts of yarn, for if a better class of cotton is thereby produced the foreign demand for our crop must increase.

There is every reason to believe that the development of the docks and railway communications will bring to Bombay trade which is now being artificially attracted elsewhere, and the Chamber very rightly expressed its approval of the awakened interest of the Government of India in the subject of communications, especially in the matter of the Nagda-Muttra line whose construction the Chamber for so long agitated in vain. Mr. Armstrong's reference to the Chamber's scheme of local communication was but natural, seeing that the idea virtually originated with him, but it is worthy of remark that only one other member considered it necessary to refer to it, in the very excellent and eminently practical speeches which were addressed to the meeting. Of much more importance was the advocacy of the reduction in railway rates. At the same time the Chamber endorsed the views of Mr. Proctor that so long as Government utilised its profits in constructing fresh lines, doubling existing ones and providing additional rolling stock, which is so urgently needed, there is no need to press for any immediate reduction in rates, though the matter should not be lost sight of. Another point in Mr. Proctor's remarks might well be brought to the notice of the Railway Board—the contention that when a new line is constructed, places should be brought into closer connection, that the inhabitants of those places shall gain some benefit by the route being thus shortened—benefit which is frequently denied them. Mr. Proctor gave illustrations of what he meant in connection with the Tapti-Valley Railway. As that route saves about 150 miles, he argued that it is natural to expect that the rates by it would be a good deal cheaper than by the older and longer routes, especially as rates are supposed to be charged on a mileage basis, whilst, as a matter of fact, owing to the big trunk lines quoting special long distance rates for practically all the traffic that is worth having, it is very seldom that rates via the shorter route are cheaper than by the older and longer route, and it is even difficult to get the traffic routed by the shorter route at the same rate, the result being that the inhabitants of Guzarat, who subscribed largely to the capital of that line, practically get no benefit by the construction of the line, so far as through rates are concerned.

The remarks of Mr. S. M. Moses on the unprecented prosperity of the Cotton Industry demand attention. The transformation from depression to prosperity, as he observed, was as sudden as it was welcome, and Mr Moses tells us the prospects appear to be good for the current year. Most of the mills have sold their production forward for the whole of the year and some of them for the early part of 1907. The Swadeshi movement has not been without its effect on the Bombay mills and as many as fourteen thousand looms are on their way out to Bombay and Ahmedabad. These looms, it was pointed out, will require a large quantity of yarn for weaving purposes, so that there will be a perceptible diminution of yarn available for export to China. This, it is shown, will tend to maintain the present high rates in that part of the world for some time. Prospects therefore, may be regarded as bright, even though the continued working of mills in other parts of the country for longer hours than those of Bombay, will place them at an advantage over the mills of this city. Mr. Moses paid a tribute to the mill-hands though he did not give an undertaking that if the up-country mills ultimately gain an advantage over those of Bombay by reason of longer working hours the Bombay millowners would adhere to their resolution still to keep to twelve or thirteen. Bombay millowners are likely to be very sorely tried in this respect in the near future and the sooner the Factories Act Amendment Bill regulates the working hours of all mills in the country the better both for Bombay millowners and the hands for whom Mr. Moses expressed such unqualified admiration and for whom he invited commiseration and support. The abolition of Octroi duties on staple articles of trade was advocated by the Chairman. Mr. Proctor made out a strong case for the equitable treatment of retired Anglo-Indians drawing their income from their country in the matter of income-tax and Mr. H. C. Wright made a pretty speech on the subject of Government encouragement of agriculture. Altogether it was a remarkably business-like meeting and the utterances of members were commendably sound and judicious.

THE FAMINE IN JAPAN.

THE appeals, which have been made both in England and America for contributions towards the hundreds of thousands in the famine-stricken districts of North Eastern Japan, have met with a ready and hearty response. To appreciate the extent of the calamity with which the inhabitants of Miyagi, Fukushima and Iwate are confronted, it is only necessary to recall the statements of the first official reports which calculated that about seven hundred thousand people would be destitute. But this number has greatly increased and the number is now practically a million. Thus it will be seen that great though is the response to the appeal for help, it can never do more than touch the fringe of the need. The authorities projected and are carrying out millions of yens' worth of public works. The Foreign Relief Committee was formed under the chairmanship of Mr. Lampe and an appeal was issued in December to the foreign communities of Japan. But the impending calamity was on so vast a scale that it was almost impossble to believe the official statement that there were 680,000 people on the verge of starvation out of a population of 2,821,557. Since then members of the Foreign Committee have been through the famine area assisting in every way possible and distributing the funds at their disposal and now the Committee reports that the official figures, which they had, at first, found incredible, are too weak to represent the existing misery and the appalling suffering. As to scores of villages, the conditions of all they have visited are pitiable in the extreme. There are able bodied men clothed in ragged thin garments, who have to face piercing winds and snows to bring in from the mountains the coal and wood on the price of which labour their thinly-clad families are trying to eke out a living. There are mothers giving their very lives to keep their babies warm, themselves exposed to stinging blasts that must rapidly shorten life. There are even cultured old men and women, who in former days were in comparative comfort, but now are reduced to physical destitution that no words can describe. There are children barefooted in the snow whose scanty clothing and pinched faces tell the sad tale of only one meal a day, and that of straw and daikon leaves in which is mixed a little cheap rice flour. The Foreign Committee have issued a second appeal. The official funds are working at the same time and their Majesties the Emperor and Empress of Japan made a gift of Yen 40,000 which was followed by almost equally large gifts from such prominent Japanese gentlemen as Baron Iwasaki, Baron Mitsui and Mr. Yamda, the Banker.

On the subject of the acceptability of foreign assistance the following remarks of the "Japan Times," a paper conducted by Japanese in Tokio, are of interest. "There is no doubt" it says "that the central authorities are moving actively in the matter. But even with the best intentions on the part of those in charge, officialdom cannot but be slow in working, and, for more immediate purposes, the generous public may do much by its substantial sympathy. And we note with deep gratitude the endeavours of our foreign contemporaries and institutions, as well as individual foreigners, in getting up relief funds, and others who nobly respond to their appeals. Speaking of appeals to the public, we think there seems to be a slight misconception entertained abroad, in regard to the Japanese sense of pride which is thought to disdain all assistance. We freely admit that there is amongst us some sense of humiliation on realising that, with all our modern means of communications and so on, we cannot succour promptly enough a few thousand of calamity-stricken people within our own borders : that such an emergency is not sufficiently provided for, without appealing for charity. But this feeling is a very different thing from resenting any well-meant assistance, and surely none of us would be so small-minded as to be guilty of the latter. Nearly all of our vernacular confreres in the city are doing their share, each in its sphere, to promote relief funds ; and we ourselves have done what we could to bring the fact before the public. This, we hope, sufficiently shows that there is no false pride standing in the way. There are, perhaps, some shades of difference between East and West, in the degree of stoical endurance, and of sensitiveness to hardship, cultivated by different races ; but when there is urgent need of help, as in this case, we are ready to respond to the utmost extent of our powers." Although these words read somewhat critically there can be no doubt that foreign assistance in such a calamity is valued at its full worth and will do much to increase the good feeling of the Old World for the new Power of the East. And for this as well as for the moral claim which starving people have on all races and creeds we hope that foreigners will readily give towards the alleviation of the troubles of those who are suffering.

CHINESE SALT.

SALT is a Government monopoly in China as well as in India. It is made all along the northern coast wherever the shore is low and flat, but the methods in use are very antiquated, with the result that Chinese salt loses its savour and is impure. The system now pursued for producing salt from sea-water is the very same as in the time of Marco Polo's wanderings in Eastern China. The sea-water is pumped into the evaporating basins by the action of wind-mills of the most original pattern, their like being found nowhere else in the world. All the machinery is of wood ; they and the pumps work automatically and seldom require repairs. The sun does the evaporation part of the salt production. The salt pans are like our Indian ones, only much larger. Their bottoms are made hard and level by a stone roller. Three inches of sea-water is pumped into these and it takes the sun about three days to evaporate that quantity. The salt is then scraped away the bottom again rolled and more sea-water pumped in. The salt ban flats are connected with the river railway stations by innumerable little canals on which small flat-bottomed boats are punted taking the salt up to the station from the pans. The wind-mills that fill these are erected in groups according to the size of the plant to be served, and each mill turns out about 700 tons of salt in the year. During rainy or frosty weather they cannot work, so they have an idle time for about half the year. All the salt must be delivered to Government at their collecting stations and the maker receives exactly as much for it as will keep him at work. Until about two years ago there was no Government tax on salt. Tongku, one of the chief salt districts, produces annually about 161,000 tons. China might with advantage try some more up-to-date method of manufacturing salt and add to her own wealth and improve the health of her people at the same time.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. Arabia, with the homeward Mails of the 3rd instant, arrived at Aden, at 8 p.m., on March 7.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. Persia, with the outward Mails of the 2nd instant left Suez, at 3-30 a.m., on March 8.

MR. W. J. BRYAN left Calcutta on Wednesday night for Benares.

LORD KITCHENER visits Darjeeling in the middle of the current month.

THE 35th Sikhs furnish the detachment for the Viceregal escort at Simla during the coming season.

SURGEON-GENERAL BOMFORD, Director-General, Indian Medical Service, will shortly proceed on tour in the Bombay Presidency.

General DE BRATH is appointed to Aden, but nothing is yet settled regarding the Adjutant-Generalship in succession to General Duff.

THE Lord Bishop of Bombay will conduct Evensong and dedicate the P. and O. "Carnatic" Memorial Widow at the Seamen's Church, Princes Dock, at 7 p. m. to-day.

THE Amir has returned to Jellalabad from the Kunar Valley, but the date of his departure for Kabul is not known.

MR. CARLYLE, officiating Chief Secretary, Bengal Government, has been confirmed in the appointment vice Mr. W. C. Macpherson on leave, who has been promoted to a Commissionership.

THE Royal Indian Marine steamer Dufferin Commander St. L. S. Warden, will sail today for Mandvi and Karachi, with his Excellency the Governor of Bombay and staff. Besides she carries six officers, 17 men, 5 women and 1 child ex-transport Plassy.

WE understand that Major-General Duff will take up the appointment of Chief of the Staff in India with the rank of Lieutenant-General, when the new system of administration is introduced. He will presumably be succeeded as Adjutant-General by an officer of the Indian Army.

GENERAL SIR ALFRED GASELEE left Agra on Monday on a short tour which will take in Bareilly, Shahjehanpur and Lansdowne. He arrives at Lansdowne on Saturday afternoon and remains until the Tuesday following. On his way back Sir Alfred spends a day at Rurki and another at Dehra, returning to Agra on the 17th.

SPECIAL By Laws, relating to the regulation of motoring in Ceylon, have been passed. A speed limit of fifteen miles an hour and 12 miles an hour in towns is imposed, cars and drivers as to be registered and no license will be granted to any one under seventeen years of age, except for motor cycles in which case the minimum age is fourteen. The "Times of Ceylon," commenting on the speed limit regulations, says :—"What evidence is the driver of a motor-car going to be confronted with when charged with exceeding the speed limit of 15 miles an hour ? The difficulty of gauging the speed at which a motor-car may be travelling is admittedly very difficult, and trained experts in the home police force have been found to be hopelessly out in their estimates. Can we hope the ignorant goiya or villager—because there is no proper rural police—to have any greater success ?"

AT a meeting of the Managing Committee of the Karachi Chamber of Commerce last week, a letter from the Manager, North-Western Railway, Lahore, was read, stating that with a view to clear the traffic offering in the Chenab and Jhelum Colonies for Karachi, special measures had been taken for the supply of stock. The Committee resolved that the Manager be again dressed on the subject of the inadequacy of rolling stock on various parts of the system, including Karachi. At the same meeting the question of the control of the proposed Bombay Sind Railway connection, which had been deferred at the previous meeting, was reconsidered, and it was resolved that the Railway Board be addressed on the subject, strongly advocating that the control of the same be placed in the hands of the North-Western Railway management.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending March 6, was 1,389, giving a death-rate of 89·45 per annum per thousand as against 121·42 the corresponding period of last year, and 130·60 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 118 died from fevers ; 345, plague ; 13, small-pox ; 33, measles ; 2, leprosy ; 83, phthisis ; 46, diseases of the nervous system ; 302, affections of the respiratory organs ; 78, diarrhœa ; 32, dysentery ; 54, still-born ; 151, old age and debility ; 14, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 40 ; Brahmin, 39 ; Lingaet, 9 ; Bhattia, 11 ; Hindu of other caste, 693 ; Hindu low caste, 217 ; Musalman, 258 ; Parsee 27 ; Jew, 5 ; Native Christian, 31 ; Eurasian, 1 ; and European, 4. The total number of births was 402 as against 329 the corresponding period of last year, and 235 the average over the past five years.

VARIOUS PUBLICATIONS.

THE MAGAZINE OF FINE ARTS is a new publication of which the fourth number of the first volume is before us. It recalls the saying of the organiser of "Truth" who when asked what it would be like, replied, "Another and a Better 'World' " for this new Magazine has gone one better if that could be, than the "Studio." It cannot be difficult to improve on the efforts of predecessors in the same line, the features that please the public have been tried and been either rejected or confirmed; it is only necessary to advance in those directions and add new attractions. This the "Magazine of the Fine Arts" does abundantly. It gives with this issue twelve supplemental plates, mostly coloured or tinted, of the works of great masters, ten illustrated articles on artists or on subjects of antique interest. Bernardino Luini Leonardo da Vinci and I. A. D. Ingres are the painters on whom and whose works excellent papers are contributed. A first article by G. Alfred-Jones on "Some Old Silver Communion Plate of English Nonconformity" will interest a large number of readers. "English Chairs of the Eighteenth Century," profusely illustrated, is another. An illustrated description of "Le Livre de Rustican" a fifteenth century French manuscript for which Mr. Quaritch gave £2,600 at the sale of the Earl of Cork's Library last November, is an admirable selection of a branch of art as rare as it is charming. The pictures throughout this Magazine are exquisitely reproduced and are all of fine works. It says much for the progress of artistic feeling in Great Britain that another publication such as this, should be started with so high a standard of excellence. We wish it all success, in its work of education and entertainment.

THE Report of the Bombay Mission of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, and the Community of All Saints, for 1905, is an interesting little volume giving an account of the many different good works undertaken and energetically carried on by that Missionary Association. There are no fewer than eleven institutions in Bombay, besides the two Churches, served by the members of the Mission ; in Bassein there is the Home of Rest and in Khandalla the St. Peter's Girls School and the All Saints' Nursery. The Schools are doing good not only in the district where they are established, but for Bombay generally. The Report gives particulars of the work done in each of the Schools, the rules binding all members of the Association together, the needs of the Mission, the development of its aims, and the subscriptions received towards its support, with photographs of the buildings and other objects of interest. The history of the foundation of the Mission in Bombay, its early struggles and resolute progress in the face of many difficulties is worth perusal. A balance sheet concludes the Report and shows how much is done with the slender means at the disposal of the communities forming the Mission.

A SECRET OF THE LEBOMBO by Bertram Mitford is a story of Zululand, in which farmer dwellers in the Veldt, Zulu Chiefs, failures from home, South African lawyers, and many others are leading a great variety of lives that are well and interestingly described by Mr. Mitford. There are two or three scenes that challenge comparison with almost any picture elsewhere, such as that of Wyvern going out after game in the moonlight of the South African night as a distraction from his overwhelming troubles. The eerie weirdness of the labyrinthine recesses through which he cautiously picked his way, and the ghostly gliding of solitary wild animals into the clearings from the surrounding maze are wonderfully described. As effective also is the account of the fight between the two Zulu Impis after one had ingeniously seized the cattle of the other and the flight of the survivours through the wild veldt. More graphic even than all those is the visit of the Snake-Doctor to the captured camp of Fleetwood and Wyvern when they are at the cruel mercy of the triumphant Zulu tribe. Blood-curdling is the fearful test to which Wyvern is subjected, a test that speaks volumes for the strength of Mr. Mitford's imagination and descriptive powers. The secret of the Lebombo is divined at last but through a succession of the most ghastly incidents.

A STOLEN PEER, by Guy Boothby (George Bell and Sons). An anarchist plot, a murder, bomb-throwing and regicide, two treacherous conspirators, the peer and his wife, are the dramatis personæ of a situation in which the practised writer of this story interests and mystifies his readers. The proceedings in the first part of the tale seem absolutely without reason or sequence until the final elucidation when their meaning is satisfactorily explained. The clearing up of the murder and suicide is in Guy Boothby's most effective style, the confession of the conscientious conspirator leaving the motive for all his previous actions no longer in doubt. This saves much trouble and speculation to the reader who is not ingenious at unravelling stiff plots.

THE WINNING OF WINIFRED by Louis Tracy (George Bell & Sons) is a story involving an immense amount of crime and desperate action on the part of several thoroughly wicked men. Winifred the heroine is concerned in the machinations of all these people without in the least realising her position, until circumstances drive it in on her. Before long she is in terrible difficulties, in which the reader is as interested as the author could wish. Eventually, of course, all ends well, but only by the most punctual intervention of good luck at various critical moments.

TEUFEL THE TERRIER by J. Yates Carrington. This is a new edition of a true and sympathetic life of a well-loved and faithful dog. The tale was told some years ago, and is now re-told with delightful illustrations, by his master, of Teufel and his friends canine as well as human. His span of nine years included many incidents that must appeal to the owners of intelligent and companionable dogs and the relation of what Teufel was to the painter who owned and appreciated him all the days of his busy life makes a biography to be read with infinite pleasure.

THE PARSEE CHRONICLE edited by Mr. Nasarvanji Maneckji Cooper is a London monthly publication that entered on its second year last month. The February number does not impose a heavy task on its readers, for the matter is short and chiefly concerns Parsis. Sir George Birdwood's message congratulating the editor on being able to increase the size and reduce the price of the "Chronicle," is characteristically dated "Sherosh Roz Hamkar" by the veteran doctor and antiquarian. There is an article on "Parsi Progress under British Rule," an "Appreciation of Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta" and some quotations from Mr. C. E. Buckland's Dictionary of Indian Biography. Sir George Birdwood's remarks at the Society of Arts in the discussion that followed Mr. Buckland's paper on Calcutta, in January last, are produced and a few literary odds and ends with a coloured supplement, a pretty picture of two Japanese children, complete the contents of the sixteen pages of this monthly.

THE MINIATURE SERIES OF GREAT WRITERS edited by G. C. Williamson Litt D. (George Bell and Sons) has issued LAMB by Walter Jerrold, with, as frontispiece, a print of the picture of the great writer at fifty-one by Henry Meyer. Three other illustrations follow in the text, "The Story of his Life," critiques of his principal writings, a special paper on The Essays of Elia, one on Lamb's style and a chronological list of his works, with some other useful notes of Jerrold's, combine to give an excellent apercu of the writer.

The KEY TO EXERCISES in "Book-Keeping Down to Date" by Andrew Munro (Effingham Wilson) is now published and will be of incalculable value to persons in this country who follow the lessons in the excellent treatise on book-keeping of which it is the key. The author states in a note that he will always be willing to reply to any one desiring fuller information on the working of the exercises.

A SPECIAL telegram to the "Times of Ceylon" states :—"Mr. Herbert Compton, Organising Secretary of the Anti-Tea Duty League, recently stated in an interview that he knew the tea duty would be reduced to two-pence in the next Budget. The buyers take exception to this, saying that such statements dislocate business. Mr. Asquith, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has been appealed to, and says that the statement of Mr. Compton is incorrect ; but Mr. Compton declines to withdraw it, maintaining that time will show that he is right."

M. P's SALARIES.

HUGE MAJORITY GRANTS PAY TO MEMBERS.

Mr. Morley Scorns an Indian Committee.

SOUTH AFRICA AGAIN.

CENSURE ON LORD MILNER.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, MARCH 7.

The House of Commons by 318 against 110 has adopted a Resolution to pay the members three hundred pounds yearly.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 8.

Referring to the resolution agreed to in the House of Commons, for paying election expenses from Public Funds, the "Englishman" says the present arrangement presses hardly upon Anglo-Indian candidates who are not carpet-baggers yet may find it difficult to provide two thousand pounds for a contested election with perhaps a subscription list of five hundred pounds yearly in addition.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, MARCH 7.

Rutherford asked Mr. Morley to consider the appointment of a Standing Committee of the House, to form a link between India and the members of the House.

Mr. Morley said he saw no sufficient reason for an exceptional arrangement of the kind, which was not known in any other department.

LONDON, MARCH 8.

The extreme Radicals will move in the Commons on the 21st instant disapproving the conduct of Lord Milner sanctioning the illegal flogging of Chinese in the Transvaal.

The motion is unprecedented and the attitude of the Government is the subject of speculation.

LONDON, MARCH 7.

In bringing forward the British Navy Estimates, in the House of Commons Mr. Robertson said that only three cruisers would be laid down this year, instead of four, proposed in last year's programme.

Mr. Haldane, replying to a question, in the House of Commons, said that flogging in the Army would be henceforth totally abolished.

FRENCH NAVAL ARMAMENTS.

LONDON, MARCH 8.

The French Minister of Marine announced that it was proposed to build six 18,000 ton battleships of eighteen knot speed. It was not, he said, considered that experience yet warranted the adoption of turbines.

THE JAPANESE FAMINE FUND.

The Toronto Sunday School Association has made a stirring appeal for subscriptions to the Japanese famine fund.

THE SERVIAN CABINET.

LONDON, MARCH 7.

The Servian Cabinet has resigned owing to its inability to accept Austria's proposals for commercial arrangements between the two countries.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

Imports Still Grow.

The British Imports for February, amount to 7 1/2 millions being an increase of 4 7/10 millions. The Exports for the same period amount to 28 3/4 millions being an increase of 3 1/2 millions.

THE GERMAN NAVY.

Large Vote for Submarines.

The Budget Committee of the Reichstag has passed the first instalment for the construction of two torpedoer divisions and two and a half million marks for submarines.

THE STATE OF RUSSIA.

The Odessa Riots.

The Chief of the Warsaw Police has been dismissed owing to the continuance of daylight murders and armed raids on banks and offices.

LONDON, MARCH 8.

Thirty artillerists at Odessa have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment for refusing to work the guns against the rioters.

THE STRIKE AT DUNDEE.

Strikers Return to Work.

The Dundee jute workers are resuming work and a lock-out has been averted.

THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

Possible End of the Police Difficulty.

The feeling at Algeciras is more concilatory and it is believed there that Germany is disposed to accept the Franco-Spanish policing.

NATIVE INFANTRY RELIEFS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 7.

The following additional Native Infantry Reliefs in 1905-06, have been sanctioned :—78th Moplahs, Dera Ismail Khan, to Ahmednagar ; 125th Rifles, Ahmednagar, to Bangalore ; and 69th Punjabis, Bangalore, to Dera Ismail Khan.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PRINCESS ENA AND THE ROMAN CHURCH.

The Ceremonies at San Sebastian.

LONDON, MARCH. 8.

The Conversion ceremony which was conducted in English was most moving.

The Princess Henry of Battenberg was not present, San Sebastian was en fete yesterday and the town was decorated and illuminated besides a display of fireworks.

The Princess Ena takes the name of Victoria.

CHURCH AND STATE IN FRANCE.

Resignation of the Cabinet.

A debate took place in the French Chamber last night on the manner in which the Church inventories had been carried out in France and the Government was defeated by 267 against 234 votes. The Cabinet therefore resigned.

REWARD FOR BRAVERY.

SPECIAL REQUEST BY THE PRINCE OF WALES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA. MARCH 8.

The Prince of Wales was graciously pleased to desire that a pension should be granted to the heir of the late Dafadar Dilawar Khan of the 21st Cavalry (Frontier Force) who was drowned in the Lundai river near Peshawar on the 19th January in an attempt to assist Lieutenant Robertson of the same regiment who had been swept away by the current. The Commander-in-Chief has now much pleasure in announcing that the Government of India have, in accordance with His Royal Highness's wishes, sanctioned the grant of an extraordinary pension to the widow of the late Dafadar under the provisions of article 1045 of the Army Regulations of India, volume 1, in recognition of gallantry displayed by her husband on the occasion in question.

THE SWADESHI MILLS.

MORE CAPITAL REQUIRED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 8.

The "Bengalee" states that about four lakhs of rupees have been so far subscribed towards the Swadeshi Cotton Mill for Bengal. The Committee have engaged to buy for seven lakhs the Luxmi Mill, Serampore and are now advertising for more capital. They propose to spend three lakhs upon new machinery and two upon working expenses, the total capital required being thus twelve lakhs or eight in addition to what has already been raised.

THE ARMY DEPARTMENT SECRETARYSHIP.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 8.

The names are mentioned of Major-General Wood to succeed General Duff as Adjutant-General and of Brigadier-Generals Bayley and Martin for the new post of Secretary in the Army Department.

THE ADEN COMMAND.

GENERAL DE BRATH ACCEPTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 8.

The "Indian Daily News" states that Major-General DeBrath has accepted the Command of the Aden Brigade.

ARRIVAL OF THE TRANSPORT PLASSY.

THE hired Transport Plassy, under the Command of Captain F. R. Dowell, arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening, from Southampton, which port she left on the 14th February, and called at Port Said, Suez and Aden. She brought drafts for various regiments and furloughmen, consisting of 89 officers, 13 ladies, and 5 children, 21 warrant officers, 12 women and 8 children, and 872 non-commissioned officers and men, 113 women, and 58 children.

The following are the names of the Officers :—

Lieut Col C H Kirkwood 1st Wiltshire Regt
Capt J T C Murray 2nd The Black Watch
Lieut E J Nixon R G A
Capt C A Shaw D S O 9th Lancers
Lieut Mckenzie 3rd Hussars
Lieut E B Crockett 17th Lancers
2nd-Lt Darlymple 17th Lancers
2nd-Lt Clarke 17th Lancers
2nd-Lt McBrayne 17th Lancers
2nd-Lt Lyne Evans 17th Lancers
Lieut Hon B A Forbes 1st R I Rifles
Lieut S De B Cowan R F A
Lieut E Masters R H A
Major and Mrs A S Burkee R F A
Capt and Mrs R S Haynes and 3 children R G A
Capt H A Lewis R G A
Lieut H A Sanson R G A
Capt R W Bradley D S O S W Borderers
Major H M Biddulph 3rd R Brigade
Capt H C McDonald A and S Highlanders
2nd-Lt Gore-Laughton 6th Dragoon Guards
2nd-Lt Blackburn 6th Dragoon Guards
2nd-Lt Vanneck 13th Hussars
2nd-Lt Lewton 13th Hussars
2nd-Lt McArthur 13th Hussars
2nd-Lt Atkins Suffolk Regt
2nd-Lt A H S Wheatley Cheshire Regt
Capt and Mrs H C Farnwall and child R A M C
Lieut R D D O'Flynn The King's Regt
2nd-Lt Goldsmith East York Regt
2nd-Lt C A Antrobus K O S Borderers
Lieut J W Rainey A V D
Lieut-Col Gobbin R A M C
Capt&Mrs Thomson R A M C
Lieut Meaden R A M C
Lieut McVeigh R A M C
Lieut Dwyen R A M C
Lieut Boothe R A M C
Lieut Holbrooke R A M C
Lieut Churchill R A M C
Lieut Dalrymple Indian Army
Lieut and Mrs Broome and child Indian Army
Major and Mrs Swaxton Indian Army
Lieut E C Whittle E Dept
Rev J P Semeon Chaplain
Rev P Dillon Chaplain
Matron Cox Q A I M N S
Nursg Sistr Bills Q A I M N S
Nursg Sister Fairchild Q A I M N S
Nursg Sister Smyth Q A I M N S
Lieut R M White I M S
Lieut W C Gray I M S
Lieut J Catt I M S
Lieut R M Whittemore I M S
Captain Maun ill I M S
Lieut Bocquit R E
Lieut Bamberger R E
Captain Garwood R E
Lieut Kelly R E
Lieut Smith R E
Lieut Mrs Burgess R E
Lieut Briton R E
Lieut Fox R E
Major Baley R E
Capt and Mrs Jones R E
2nd-Lt Yale Unattached List
2nd-Lieut Beseford do
2nd-Lieut Webb do
2nd Lt Cadell do
2nd-Lt Chrastie do
2nd Lt Gore do
2nd-Lt Boyce do
2nd-Lt Charden do
2nd-Lt Misken do
2nd-Lt Swanton do
2nd-Lt Young do
2nd-Lt Clark do
2nd-Lt Condor do
2nd-Lt Hartyce do
2nd-Lt Bignell do
2nd-Lt Stranack do
2nd-Lt Smyth do
2nd-Lt Jacombe do
2nd-Lt Wilson do
2nd-Lt Blackburn do
2nd Lt Bremmer do
2nd-Lt Palmer do
2nd Lt Burridge do
2nd Lt Sartorius do
2nd-Lt Pugh do
2nd-Lt McPherson do
2nd-Lt Chesney do
2nd-Lt Brownlow do
Daughter of Lieut J Walker Indian Army

THE CUNARD LINERS.—The two liners building at Wallsend and on the Clyde will be the largest vessels ever built, being 800ft. in length over all, 88ft. beam and 92ft. to boat deck in depth. Messrs. Wailes, Dove and Co. have secured the order in both vessels to coat nearly the whole of the interior surfaces, in the inside of double bottoms, fore and aft, turbine and boiler rooms, bunkers, tank tops, etc., with their patent "Bitumastic" enamels and covering. Some idea of the extent of these surfaces may be gathered when it is stated that they extend to the enormous total of between 28 and 30 acres on the two vessels. At present the firm have orders to coat three new large turbine vessels for the Great Western Railway Co. also new turbine vessels for the Great Central Railway Co. a troopship for the Indian Government and others. Messrs. W. Crowder and Co. Ld. are the local Agents for Messrs. Wailes Dove and Company.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

VISIT TO ALIGARH COLLEGE.

ENTHUSIASM OF THE MAHOMEDANS.

DEPARTURE FOR QUETTA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALIGARH, MARCH 8.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales reached Aligarh about one o'clock to-day. They were received quietly at the station by the Collector of Aligarh and drove straight to the Mahomedan Anglo-Oriental College. The route was prettily decorated and numbers of people greeted their Royal Highnesses. They were received at the College by Lieutenant-Governor Sir J. D. LaTouche, Commissioner Mr. Conybeare, the trustees of the College and the Principal, Mr. Archibald and staff. Among those present was His Highness the Aga Khan, one of the official visitors of the institution. Their Royal Highnesses passed along a covered way lined by the students who cheered loudly. The Prince and Princess were conducted to the banquetting hall where they lunched with the trustees, afterwards inspecting the whole of the college buildings. Later on they witnessed a display by the 18th Tiwana Lancers.

Their Royal Highnesses left Aligarh en route to Quetta at 6-30 this evening.

Nawabzada Nasrullakhan, President of the National, Mahomedan Association, and General Secretary, of the Bombay Presidency Mohommedan Educational Conference, had the honour of being presented to, and lunching with Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales at Aligarh National College yesterday.

THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

PETITION ON THE CUTCH RAILWAY.

IN view of the tour of His Excellency, the Governor including the journey from Bhuj to Lakhapat, the Cutchi residents of Bombay have presented him with the following petition :—

"That your Excellency's memoriallist was the Chairman at the public meeting at the Cutchi inhabitants of Bombay, convened on the 26th day of February 1905 and as such submitted to the Government of India a Memorial adopted thereat on the subject of the proposed construction of the Bombay Sind Connection Railway Scheme through the Province of Cutch."

"That by a Resolution adopted at the said meeting, your Excellency's humble memoriatist was duly authorised to carry on correspondence and submit fresh memorials on the subject of the importance and necessity of sanctioning the construction of the Bombay Sind Connection Railway through Cutch to the authorities when thought necessary and advisable. Under the authority thus invested, your Excellency's humble memorialist begs most respectfully to take the liberty of submitting the following humble representation on behalf of the Cutchi Public of Bombay and trust most confidently that the same will receive due and careful consideration at your Excellency's hands :—

"That your Excellency's humble memorialists have heard with great joy and enthusiam that your Excellency is starting on the 9th instant, for a visit to Cutch to make personal and careful observations and inquiries by travelling from Bhuj to Lakhapat via the route surveyed for the construction of the Bombay Sind Connection Railway, as to the validity of the objections raised by H. H. the Rao of Cutch against the construction of the Sind lines through Cutch.

"2. The burden of settling this most important question hanging fire since the last thirty years, involving grave imperial interests, has, we are really glad to notice, fallen upon a such worthy and benevolent representative of the Empire as your Lordship, and the Cutchi Public have full, faith and confidence in your Excellency's sound and independent judgment, and it is earnestly hoped that your Excellency after investigating the matter will come to no other conclusion than that the construction of the Bombay Sind Connection line, under any circumstances, necessarily must take place, as at present surveyed, because the alternative route suggested by H. H. the Rao of Cutch is not at all practicable, as the line will have to pass through a barren desert and is considered obviously inferior both on Military and Commercial grounds, while the route through Cutch is considered as an ideal route of imperial importances both politically and commercially, and would seem to have assured the prospects of financial success.

"3. Your Excellency's memorialists beg most respectfully to submit that in the interests of the Cutch State itself. The construction of this line is urgently required and if there be any means for bringing upon a level the unfortunate State of Cutch in parallel with other Native States of India, the immediate construction of this railway line is the only and the last resource,and it is confidently hoped that your Excellency will realize this fact cleanly and urge upon the Government of India and the Secretary of State, the importance and necessity of executing this Railway scheme through Cutch without any further delay and by doing so Your Excellency will leave a name ever to be remembered by Cutchies throughout Cutch and other parts of the Presidency with reverence and enthusiasm, besides settling definitely an important question involving imperial interests hanging fire since the last thirty years on account of the frivolous objections of H. H the Rao of Cutch.

"And your Excellency's memorialist as in duty bound shall ever pray etc."

PRINCE OF WALES'S BAND CONCERT IN AID OF THE Y.M.C.A.

IN aid of the Building Fund of the Bombay Young Men's Christian Association an Orchestral concert was given at the Town Hall last night by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales's Band from H.M.S. Renown. There was a very good house, and the numerous selections given by this splendid Orchestra were greatly appreciated by the large audience,most of the pieces being received with rapturous applause. The first item on the programme was Sir Edward Elgar's charming March, "Pomp and Circumstance." which being one of the most popular works of the only English composer included in the programme was vociferously applauded. Then came Kalliwoda's overture "Philharmonic" followed by a Suite of Dances "Nell Gwynn" with some familiar tunes, which greatly pleased the company. In response to the encore an extra, the "Dance de Satyrs" was given, including a piccolo part brilliantly executed by Musician Gooch. Nesvadba's Paraphrase "Loreley" followed, with an extra rendered acquiescent to a special request, this being a march "The Diplomat" by the ever popular Souza. Some excerpts from Wagner's Lohengrin and Doorak's Salvische Tanz met with much approval, and the serenata "The Eternal City," Mascagni's incidental music to Hall Caine's famous play, was intensely appreciated. Von Blon and Tscharkowsky contributed the rest of the programme, and Roch-Albert's fantastic "La Terantelle de Belphegor" followed by Michiel's Csardas as an extra brought as fine a musical evening as one could desire to an all too early close.

PANIC AMONG STUDENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is high time that authorities should take a more serious, a more favourable view of the present existing state of the affairs in connection with the granting of plague terms. The critical point has reached, the plague has reached its culmination. It has displayed an insatiable greed in prying upon victims and has carried their numbe to an appalling figure of 210. What storming agitation it must have caused in the hearts of young and inexperienced students is a matter to be more realised than explained. The students have rushed to an only way to get out of the difficulty ; petitions have been framed, signatures most willingly put down, professors resorted to and sympathies of principals excited, but all to no avail. The Syndicate, the august committee, upon whose decisions pivoted the hopes and wishes of our excited students, has thought it fit to postpone granting terms on grounds better known to itself. It is really unfortunate that the members should not have taken a more judicious view of the fact. Had they but condescended to cast a peep into the dingy rooms located in cheap, therefore necessarily infected quarters, where almost more than half the number of students find a dwelling they would have assuredly realised the gravity of the situation.

Secondly, many of these students goaded by sheer necessity board in Hindu eating houses, the proprietors, the servants, and the visitors whereof frequent almost every infected corner of the city.

Thirdly, this mishap, this impending calamity has inspired so much fear and anxiety and so much serious attention of students that try as they might they cannot devote even a few moments' concentration to their books. It therefore our authorities have made the matter of their studies a guiding and determining principle of their decision they have never been so sadly falsified. Even the safest localities like Elphinstone College quarters have displayed an inclination to surrender their arms to this demon. For it is reported that the otherwise noisy and troublesome rats have nobly, chivalrously and timely victimised themselves to forewarn their evolved brethren against the dangers of the impending calamity. The old wing, they say, is infected and therefore students should be huddled up in Telang's wing—that is the kind proposal of the Superintendent. They perhaps imagine that the germs of this noxious disease, which have so unpleasantly and unscrupulously thrusted their untoward appearance in such a remote corner from such a long distance as Girgaum, and Grant Read should find it a Herculean task to travel half a dozen yards. But perhaps their anxieties that the students should study and reap the full privilege of the lectures have feltered their impartial decision. There, too, if a visit he paid by some distinguished professor he would look to his surprise how students' hands detach themselves into small circles pondering and ruminating over this inveterate foe, and devising means, and chalking out paths to extricate themselves from the stubborn decision of the authorities.

Fourthly, it it reported that the granting of terms had been postponed owing to the Elphinstone College "jubilee," the celebration whereof would have been materially interfered with by the flight of students ; wise no doubt was the course and most unreluctantly do we endorse it ; but the "jubilee" is past and gone, the cupidity of plague has increased, and if the death of one of the students is to be regarded as a conclusive proof of the genuineness of the plague, the authorities would soon hear to their surprise and great sorrow of some such catastrophe. Dear editor the "whole student world" is thrown into agitation ; the persistent refusal of the granting of terms has raised it to a feverish culmination. Books are cast off on shelves to get dusty, pleasures have been forsaken by our otherwise vivacious and sanguine students, not a moment passes without the entry of an unpleasant idea of being attacked by plague and naturally blood leaves their faces. These corroding anxieties, these care-worn looks, the positive insecurity of their quarters,and hence their lives, the positive disgust to resort to books or studies, their food in danger of being poisoned by the inodorous effervescence from the infested bodies of rats dying in their vicinity, their servants every moment liable to be infected, are matters which should merit a more sympathetic and more considerate attention at the hands of our authorities.

Lastly, we fervently hope and with confidence that these appeals would assuredly meet with the long looked for compliance at the hands of the authorities and therefore we offer our gratitudes with an unalloyed sincerity in anticipation. Yours etc.

A STUDENT.

II.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Hard pressed by stern necessity, necessity that neither knows nor admits of any other alternative, I am compelled to forward to your valuable paper, a few lines expressive of the forlorn and heartrending condition into which, by the cruel hand of fate, students are mercilessly thrown at present, sincerely trusting that the authorities concerned will readily respond to our pitiful cries with all their care and kindness.

Dear Sir, plague is on an alarming increase, and the total mortality has risen to 210 per day. Under these circumstances, it is, of course, natural, as natural, as is effect of a cause, that every student gets nervous, sustaining his heavy breath under the continual fear lest he might one day or the other be the 211th victim of that always self-invited death. Even the fear is fatal. and the student at this juncture, is at sixes and sevens, speaking, dreaming and thinking of nothing but that monstrous epidemic which with all its hideous and terrific contagion, every moment bids to carry him off ! Plague rats are dying everywhere, and even the Elphinstone College Quarters which are situated in a healthy locality have not been spared. These rats often bring their infection to some places most delicately connected with the student's life, those very places from which the student receives his food, I mean, kitchens, thus throwing the student in the most pitiable condition. Food is necessary for life, absence of plague infection is necessary for life, but as food and plague infection threaten to inseparably combine, life is at stake. The transfer of the cooking affairs to a kitchen situated at a distance of about half a dozen of yards, a kind measure, as it is, can never be hoped to effect a positive cure, for who can manage to overcome the natural nervousness of heart and think himself to be enjoying on safe shore when near him, like locusts preying on wheat corns, plague germs are actively eating up rats and threatening, (God forbid), to have their turn on poor students also ! In this woeful crisis, a simple fever worked up and given colour to by the fancies of the patient and his neighbours bears very much the complexion of a Plague Symptom, with the result that dark confusion and utter dismay find their way among students to the complete ignorance of the University Syndics who themselves are enjoying and rolling in riches in their high palatial edifices mostly situated at the healthy sea-shore. Books at such a time are confined to eternal slumbers in the dusky shelves, and the sole object of studying which and only which necessitates college attendance remains unrealized. Thus at such hours, study is impossible and endless anxieties are irremovable. Under these circumstances, it is an humble prayer of students that the Syndicate should be kind enough to grant plague terms, for that is necessary, and without that students are nothing but heaps and lifeless masses of anxieties. We earnestly hope that the authorities concerned will with their paternal love attend to these pensive cries of their children, thereby assuring the common public that those glowing moments in which the champions, the fathers of students, viz., Sir Phirozeshah Mehta, Principal Macmillan and Dr Mackichan governed, are not in any way dead and gone.

Thanking in anticipation the Syndicate with their worthy Vice Chancellor,—Yours, &c.,

A STUDENT.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

The following are Excerpts from the Proceedings of a Special Meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay, held on the 20th February :—

Considered a memorandum from the Engineer, dated the 14th February forwarding an application from Mr. J. F. Watson, Deputy Engineer, for privilege leave from the afternoon of the 14th April till the 30th June and stating that arrangements will be made to carry on the work without filling Mr. Watson's post during his absence.

Resolution.—The leave asked for is sanctioned

Considered, with reference to Trustees' Resolution dated the 3rd October 1905 draft representation to Government regarding the value to the Board of the Government contribution in respect of all the Government lands vested in the Board.

The draft letter was considered para by para, and agreed to, subject to certain modifications, and it was resolved—

GOVERNMENT'S SHARE OF LIABILITY.

Resolution.—The following letter should be addressed to Government :—I am desired by the Board to submit, for the consideration of Government the following representation as regards the value of the contribution made by Government towards the resources of the Trust, which took the form of lands which were vested in the Trust on certain terms, an which are detailed in Schedule C to the City of Bombay Improvement Trust Act, No. IV of 1898. When introducing the Bill in the Legislative Council His Excellency Lord Sandhurst laid considerable stress upon the liberality of the Government contribution. He said I think it will be admitted that the spirit in in which the project has been conceived is one of extreme liberality. . . . . . It has been my earnest desire to afford them the largest possible measure of assistance . . . . and the same spirit has been evinced by the Viceroy in Council and the Secretary of State in dealing with our porpositions.

I am to attach hereto a statement showing certain particulars with respect to these Schedule lands. It will be remarked that the original value of these lands, shown in the Schedule C, amounted to Rs. 72,60,992, and that since the date of passing of the Act, areas to the total value of Rs. 39 93,899 have been either (a) appropriated as open spaces (for which the Board has to make payment as provided by Section 79 (3) (b) (ii) of the Act), (b) appropriated for the purposes of roads, (c) resumed by Government for public purposes the last of these items representing approximately one-half of the total amount just mentioned. The interest-bearing debt of the Board stand therefore at present, after deducting a small credit on account of the Saluting Battery site and adding a debit of Rs. 250 on account of a small area of the Kenedy Sea Face which has been leased for a Swimming Bath, at Rs, 41,67, 842. The area of building plots which remain available, and which have been made available in great part by the expenditure incurred by the Board on developing the Estates and by the appropriation of certain areas as mentioned above for the purposes of roads, amounts to 248,974 square yards, and the Board have so for leased out 175,436 square yards for this area, leaving 73 538 square yards still to be leased. This, however, includes the Secretariat plot, to which no value is assigned in the Schedule, which cannot be appropriated for building purposes without the express sanction of Government, and which it appears highly improbable will ever be available for leasing by the Trust. It also includes the Chaupati Estate which the Board are at present precluded from leasing out without special reference to Government (vide Government letter, P. W. Department, No. E.-325, dated the 21st April 1904). and the plot south of the Old Town Barracks on which a similar restriction exists. Further the portion of the Hornby Road polt which is now occupied by the Government Mews and the Executive Engineer's Stores is still unavailable, and the complete development of this Etate is thus indefinitely deferred.

Having regard to all these factors it will appear, from the statement which I am to attach hereto, that on the most favourable supposition, viz., the withdrawl of the embargo on the Chaupati Estate and on the site south of the Old Town Barracks and the speedy making over of the Government Mews to the Trust, the net profit to the Board, after the payment of the statutory 3 per cent. on Rs. 41,67,342, will amount to Rs. 58,639 per annum, which, capitalized at 4 per cent, equivalent to Rs. 14,65,9.5, but from this a deduction must be made for the obligation resting on the Trust under the Act for re-emplacing the Government Mews, and the result may, therefore, be placed roughly at between Rs. 13 and 14 lakhs. Should, however, the Chaupati Estate be resumed by Government for the purpose of constructing thereon residences for their Officers, and should the site south of Old Town Barracks be retained for the Military Department and Government Mews not be made over to the Trust, the revenue of the Board from these Scheduled lands is estimated to amount to Rs. 37,761 per annum which on the same basis represents a capital value of Rs. 9,44,025 only. I am to represent that these results will have been attained only by the expenditure by the Board on Works, Establishment, and Maintenance and Management up to date of upwards of Rs 5 lakhs, and that the Board anticipate liabilities on works and Establishment in the future (exclusive of Management) to the extent at least Rs. 2 lakhs.

It will be seen from the foregoing that the benefits which Government declared themselves must anxious to bestow upon the Trust when vesting in them the bulk of the vacant lands at that time at their disposal, which on an estimated capital value of Rs. 72,60992 had all the appearance of being a most valuable addition to the resources of the Board, actually amount in practice to an almost trifling annual grant of between Rs. 50,000 and Rs. 60,000 the capital value of which cannot be placed higher than Rs. 14 lakhs. It is indeed not improbable that it may actually prove to be a much smaller sum. At the same time operations of the Trust have been directly and indirectly of great benefit to the Government finances. It is owing to the steps taken for the acquisition of properties required in connection with the Board's Schemes that a number of Sanads which affect largely the titles of the occupiers of considerable areas have had to be carefully examined, and in the result action has at last been taken by Government to secure revenues and rights in land which, but for the operations of the Trust, might not improbably have remained for an indefinite period unsatisfactory and uncertain. Up to date awards have been declared in respect of 31 Sanadi properties in which Government has been awarded a total of Rs. 1,81,163, whilst the capitalised value of the quit and ground rents they have been receiving is only Rs. 6,165. Other large claims by Government are pending and in addition to Sanadi properties included in the Board's sanctioned Schemes, there exist the Board understand 783 other Sanadas on which Government have been quickened to take action to secure their rights. They are also benefiting directly by the operations of the Trust owing to it being necessary for certain lands held on leases from Government to be acquired by the Trust in respect of some of which very large claims have been made by Government claims which are still the subject of correspondence. In 19 cases included in the Board's Schemes II, III and VIII, the claims of Government aggregate Rs. 5,37,583 over the capitalised value of the ground rents assuming that these ground rents would be doubled at the end of the current period of the leases and the double figures be received in perpetuity.

It thus seems that so far from the general tax-payer having contributed to the resources of the Trust as it was the intention that he should do, he will actually secure a profit from the Trusts operations in addition to the reversionary interest in the very valuable properties which the Trust has called into existence.

I am desired by the Board to represent to Government that Bombay has at least as great a claim on the Government of India as Calcutta which has been promised a contribution of Rs. 50 lakhs from the public funds and I am to request that the attention of the Government of India may be invited to the figures and facts given in the above paragraphs, and that His Excellency the Governor in Council will press on the Government of India the claims of this City to more liberal treatment. I am to ask that the Government of India may be moved to forego altogether the interest at 3 per cent. per annum payable by the Trust in respect of their Scheduled lands under section 63 of the Act and, I am to point out that in this event the value of all the lands vested by Government in the Board will, on the most favourable supposition, represent a contribution of about Rs. 46 lakhs, which sum is more in accordance with the expressed desire to treat the Trust in a liberal spirit, and compares less unfavourably with the o assistance proposed to be afforded by Government to the City of Calcutta.

I am further to call attention to the fact that the staple industry of Bombay—the Cotton Industry—is heavily taxed by the Excise Duty which is levied on the outturn of the Weaving Mills a tax which is admittedly not raised for revenue purposes—and I am to submit that it would be only just were the revenue so raised to be applied to meet local needs. The amount so levied for the last 3 years has averaged upwards of Rs. 12 lakhs per annum in the Town and Island of Bombay alone, and I am to request the favourable consideration of Government to the suggestion that a moiety at least of this sum should every year be made over to the Improvement Trust to be expended for the benefit of the City, such annual contribution being credited to Capital and not being taken as an item of dependable revenue. I am to remark that the principle on which this suggestion founded has been recognized in the proposal to finance the projected Calcutta Trust partly from an Excise Duty on Jute, and to express the hope that His Excellency the Governor in Council will accord it his cordial support.

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WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

A Beauty's Ears.

WHEN SENSIBILITY WAS THE FASHION.

REDUCING CHILD MORTALITY.

LONDON, FEB. 19.

SHE had visited every capital in the world except one, and with true artistic instinct had reserved Madrid for the last. Among the Spaniards, with their innate love of all that is beautiful, their perfect gallantry and chivalrous devotion to the fair sex, she was certain of an enthusiastic reception. She came, was seen, and took Madrid by storm. Her photograph appeared in every illustrated paper, and she was interviewed incessantly. Much to her disgust, however, one of the interviews was characterised by more imagination than accuracy, and it contained an aspersion on the perfection of her charms. It was gravely announced that Cleo de Merode, the world-renowned beauty, had an imperfect ear. Her right ear was, so to speak, all right, the interviewer had seen it, but he had his doubts about the left. On reading the infamous calumny the eyes of the beautiful Cleo filled with tears, and she had barely mastered her emotion when more photographers and more interviewers were announced. One of the latter relates his experience in the "Correspondencia de Espana." Cleo began by vehemently denying that the alleged interview had taken place. Then the offending periodical had offered to publish a picture showing both her ears. This was adding insult to injury, and she declined the proposal. Cleo also scorned the suggestion that the peculiar coiffure she affects was copied from her mother. It was her own original idea. And so I have defective ears ! she continued. Then look ! and raising her broad bands of hair she solemnly displayed to the entranced interviewer what he describes as two ears, very beautiful, very delicate, and perfect, and he adds as a detail that they had not been pierced for earrings. Her mother did not wish to have them pierced, she explained. Four people were present at the interview, besides Mdlle. Cleo's maid. So now there is no doubt about it, no secret, no mystery. Carefully hidden behind Cleo's wavy bands of hair are two perfectly-formed ears.

There once was a time when sensibility was the fashion. If you wished to be up to date you responded to the call of sentiment as the electric lamp responds to the switch. Anybody who was anybody had tears ready at call. That famous donkey of Sterne's whose look said, Do not beat me, but if you will you may, touched the great heart of the people. But that was a long while ago. The ordinary mind does not perceive any excess of sensibility in 1906. We are all for systems and organisation and scientific principles. We ostentatiously give thanks that we are not as other generations were nor even as the sentimentalists.

Of course there is some truth in all this. Your unbridled sentimentalist is an uncomfortable creature. You never know how to take her. Though you go delicately as Agag you are sure to tread upon her feelings. You will have her weeping or raving several times a week. Such a creature is happily not to be found in every household. But the world could exist with a good many less of her. Even apart from such extravagances, it must be confessed that sentiment is not a satisfactory guide. Your friend's—it is always more satisfactory to take a friend as an example—your friend's sentiments may be excellent, but you cannot rely on them to come into action at the right time. They may fail just when they are most wanted. Rousseau, the prince of admirable sentiments, sent his children to the Foundling Hospital.

But there is another side. If the sentimentalist is uncomfortable, how would you like to live with purely reasonable beings ? They would be a little wearying. You may, perhaps doubt whether it is the danger of too much sentiment or the danger of too much reason that threatens us nowadays ; whether we are not more likely to treat questions of human affection in a dry, logical manner than questions of pure reason with too much emotion. The fact is that this antagonism of reason and sentiment is artificial and misleading. The best sort of reason admits that sentimental motives may fairly be allowed to direct some of our actions. There is no just cause or impediment why we should not be sentimentally reasonable and reasonably sentimental. And it will be much more pleasant for other people if we are.

One hears a pleasing story concerning a certain young lady, who, convinced of the justice of the argument that every woman should have a bank account, agitated her pastors and masters to that end. Her father in time succumbed. She was provided with an account and a cheque-book of her very own. She worked the latter hard. After a while came a polite note from the bank to say that she had overdrawn her account. She sat down at once, wrote a pretty letter of apology, and made out a cheque for the amount due to the bank, which she informed the manager, will settle your account. Yet people say women are not businesslike.

The general feeling of political uncertainty may for a week or two longer damp woman's ardour for new models, but I have my doubts whether anything can really for long distract her thoughts from the all-absorbing considerations of dress There are some novelties and a few dangers ahead of us, for the resuscitation of a peculiarly ugly period of fashion is threatening the horizon of the sartorial world. In Paris the one cry is for the "Early Victorian," and although the models on the Riviera were admired on account of their smartness, they bear but little relationship to the mincing, undecided fashions of our grandmothers' days. At the same time, it is interesting to note that the "Empire" designs are giving place somewhat to the polonaise, and that heavy gimps and fringes of all kinds are a favourite

The Incorporated Society of Medical Officers of Health recently discussed the question of the prevention of infant mortality, under the presidency of Sir Shirley Murphy, Medical Officer for the County of London. The discussion was opened by Dr. Chalmers, of Glasgow, who said an amendment of the Registration Act was necessary so as to secure early notification of births. One-third of the deaths among infants occurred in the first four weeks of life, yet in England 42 days could elapse before a death was registered. It was in the first few weeks of the life of the infant the advice was most needed by the parent. The Chairman remarked that in the matter of obtaining early information of births the L.C.C. were now obtaining returns from midwives who were registered under the Act. In this way about 600 births a week among the poorest of the population were reported. The information was communicated at once to the Medical Officers, and it was hoped the steps they would take to ensure proper care for the children would do much to reduce the mortality.

Mr. B Broadbent, who, as Mayor of Huddersfield, offered a bounty for all children in that town who were born during his Mayoralty, and who were reared to the age of one year, said the first essential in his scheme for the preservation of the lives of the children was to get early notification of their births, so that the mothers might be visited and advised from the start. The scheme had proved astonishingly effective. In the district of Longwood the deaths among infants, which for ten years averaged 122 were last year reduced to 65. (Applause.) The machinery by which this had been accomplished had been very simple. It was done by the agency of ladies who had regularly and systematically visited the mothers of all the babies born in that district to help them at times when they wanted assistance and advice. Dr. Davis thought the increase of alcoholism amongst women might also account for the many premature births. In the two years, 1900 and 1901 which we sometimes called the Mafficking years, there was a very high mortality from alcoholism, and those two years also witnessed the highest death rate amongst infants due to premature birth.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

(Concluded from page 5.)

Considered the following Notice of Motion by Dr. A. G. Viegas, dated the 8th February as amended by him at the meeting :—"That the Chairman be requested to report to the Board on the desirability of aucton sales of the right to building houses of Trust lands being carried out departmentally.

Resolution.—The Motion is adopted.

BUDGET ESTIMATES.

The following is a Note by the Chairman on the Budget Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the current year :—

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

REVISED ESTIMATE, 1905-06.

Receipts.—The revenue from rents and other proceeds of lands vesting in the Board is, on the whole, slightly in excess of the Budget figure, but it will be seen from page 6 that there are considerable variations in details. These, where not due to fortuitous receipts, are thus explained :—

I.—Schedule C Lands.

The Flats.—Decrease due to decreased number of plots and to the recent fire.

Wellington Lines and Wodehouse Road.—Increase due to accruals of rental from Y. M. C. Association and the Wellington Mews.

Plot South of Old Town Barracks.—Payments by Military Department for occupancy.

Hornby Road Plot.—Decrease due to a mistake in the Budget figure in combining the totals,

Plot South of Crawford Market.—Increase due to arrears of rent having been paid up.

IV.—Other Lands and Buildings.

Scheme I.—Decrease due to some lessees not having paid up and plots being resumed.

Chawls at Agripada, 4 Blocks.—Increase due to enhancement of rents.

12 Blocks.—Decrease due to all blocks not being ready for occupation till late.

Chawls at Nagpada, 3 Blocks.—Chawls only lately completed.

The Municipal contribution was Rs. 2,50,000 only, instead of Rs. 6,30,000 as provided, and no credit has been received on account of Section 73 of the Act.

The interest on cash balances has exceeded the Budget figure by Rs. 54,000.

Expenditure.—The total shows a decrease of Rs. 30,000 on the Budget figure, due to the full provision for maintenance not being found necessary, and to the fact that interest has only had to be paid on a Rs. 30 lakhs loan raised in 1905 instead of 45 lakhs as budgetted for.

The balance of general account available to meet capital expenditure is Rs. 89,417 instead of Rs. 4,78,320, mainly on account of the reduced Municipal contribution.

BUDGET FOR 1906-07.

Receipts.—The total from rents and other proceeds of lands vesting in the Board is estimated at Rs. 9,35,145 as compared with Rs. 9,16,810 Actuals, and Rs. 9,11,150 Budget for 1905-06. The difference is explained as follows ;—

I.—Schedule C Land.

The mistake as to the Hornby Road Plot rents has been corrected, and as arrears have been paid up, the figures for the Wodehouse Road Plot, the Plot South of the Crawford Market and others become normal. Portion of the Parel Estate has lately been let out until required.

IV.—Other Lands and Buildings.

Demolition of properties is anticipated in connection with Schemes III and IV as work is about to be commenced on the roads, and as acquisition is now very nearly completed and further operations are likely to affect mainly the vacant areas in Schemes V and VI, the receipts from rents of acquired properties is taken at Rs. 6,40,000 instead of Rs. 7 lakhs. On the other hand the revenue from leased land is increased.

Rents for chawls at Agripada and Nagpada are now normal for these completed buildings. Receipts from Police Accommodation Schemes appear for the first time, as the three Schemes entered are ready to be taken over by Government.

The Municipal contribution is entered at Rs 600,000, and receipts under Section 73 at Rs. 1,00,000 as in last year.

Refunds and recoveries of Municipal taxes are reduced to correspond with reduced payments anticipated.

Expenditure.—The total provision exceeds the Budget and the Actuals for 1905-06. Under the head of Schedule C Lands, addition is made for the maintenance of central garden at the Wellington Lines Plot. Maintenance of completed chawls is provided for. The figure for Municipal rates and taxes has been reduced to Rs. 1,50,000 to correspond with the reduction anticipated in the rents from acquired properties, after making due allowance for the fact that taxes will be payable on the cleared areas as building sites.

Interest and Sinking Fund has to be provided for to the full extent for the last year's 30 lakhs loan, and it is necessary also to add provision for part of the year for such new loan as may be estimated to be necessary—probably 30 lakhs—in 1906 07. Rs. 5,000 is provided for maintenance of Plant and Machinery as the steam-rollers have now been running for 5 years without extensive repairs and they require thorough overhauling.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Cost of Management, &c. :

Revised Estimate for 1905-06. :—

There is an increase under Chairman's salary and allowances due to Government having raised the salary to the maximum from 21st August 1905, and to acting allowances during Chairman's absence in April 1905. In the Secretary's Department the revised estimate is below the Budget figure, the provision made for Increments, Acting and Temporary Appointments not having been worked up to.

Budget for 1906-07.

The provision of Rs. 15,000 for Chairman's Exchange compensation and other allowances is made up of—Exchange compensation and pension contribution Rs. 427 per mensem = Rs. 5,124, Provision for leave allowances = Rs. 8,000, Provision for 1 month leave allowance to Mr. Rebsch Rs. 1,000, total Rs. 14,124, Say Rs. 15,000.

In the Secretary's Department provision is made for slight modification in the grading of the Assessement Register Clerks and the Assistant Lease and Security Clerk to put them on a better footing then the Copying Clerks, and two additional boy peons are provided for as extra assistance in this direction is found to be necessary.

The necessasy extra provision is made for the Trustees' contribution to the Provident Fund.

Under other Capital Heads the particulars are as follows :—

Revised Estimate for 1905-06 :—As is generally the case the Budget figures have not been worked up to, the total expenditure being estimated at Rs. 45,12,819 as against the Budget of Rs. 72,11,330.

"Acquisition under all Schemes" falls short by Rs. 16 1-2 lakhs due to the expectation as to sanction to Schemes V and VI not being realized as yet.

Under "Chawls", those in Nagpada, behind Plot 30, have not yet been taken in hand, and the 6 blocks in Scheme II have only lately been begun, while sanction has just been given for temporary accommodation in Scheme III and preparations are now being made to commence the chawls at Imamwada. It has not been possible to do anything yet in the matter of chawls for Mandvi Koliwada. On Street Schemes the expenditure is expected to be less than half the provision. Schemes III and IV are only just about to be commenced and the completion of the Hornby Road Street Scheme still awaits the making over of the Government Mews.

The short outlay on Improvement Schemes is due to the difficulty of housing people from Mandvi-Koliwada. A further appeal has been made to Government for a portion of the Market N I lin.s for temporary accommodation.

As regards Police Accommodation Schemes the land is not yet acquired at Duncan Road, the Connaught Road Scheme has only lately received sanction, and the Schemes for Princess Street (Scheme II) and for Scheme IV are not yet ready. It will be noted that the cost of Engineer's Land Manager's, Collector's, and Tribunal's Establishments are Rs. 15,500 below the Budget provision, and that they represent only 3·67 per cent of the expenditure (Rs. 45,12,819).

Budget for 1906-07.—The provision of Rs. 40 lakhs for acquisition may be approved in view of the anticipated early sanction to Schemes V and VI and the Matthew Road Scheme which has been notified. Acquisition for Schemes II, III, IV and VIII should be completed during the year, and possibly the small Street Scheme in connection with the Marine Lines Overbridge may be begun.

Under "Chawls" the provision made is—Scheme I.—For additional chawls behind Plot 30 and repayment of the 10 per cent deduction from bills to contractors of chawls just finished. Scheme II.—Completion of the Chandanwadi chawls. Scheme III.—For the Innamwada chawls, for semi-permanent huts, and the commencement of chawls at Khetwadi. Scheme VIII.—For a possible commencement of chawls and for semi permanent huts.

Under the other heads good progress is provided for in Schemes II, III and IV and others, and a commencement with Schemes V, VI and VIII is anticipated. It is expected that the Police Accommodation for Schemes II and IV will be sanctioned and begun, and that the Scheme at Agripada will be commenced at once. For Nagpada, Wodehouse Road and Shepherd Road, provision is made for repayment of amounts withheld from contractor's bills.

A provision of Rs. 10,000 is made under "General Surveys" to meet the cost of maps already sanctioned and Rs. 20,000 is entered under "Tools and Plant" for additional Road Rollers, &c., which must be provided. A fresh head is entered for "Stores in Stock" for which Rs. 40,000 is provided. This is intended for drain pipes &c., to be ordered out from England for several works, the cost being debited to this suspense head until used up on works, to which they will be debited by credit to this head. The provision for "Establishments" shows an increase of Rs. 6,406 over the Budget for 1905 06, due to extra requirements in the Engineer's branch as shown in the statement on page 12. An additional Junior Assistant Engineer is provided for the Schemes in in the North of the Island which, it is hoped, will shortly be sanctioned, and increase is proposed in the salary of Mr. Katrak Assistant Engineer. Four additional Overseers are required for the additional Schemes and two additional Bill Clerks are asked for to cope with the increasing work in the office. If the Budget estimate of expenditure is worked up to, these establishments (the cost of which is distributed over works at the close of the year and is provided for in the sanctioned estimates by the 10 per cent. allowed for establishment and contingencies) will represent only 3·6 per cent of the expenditure.

It appears from the figures that a new loan of 30 lakhs should be provided for which would leave a balance to be carried forward to 1907-08 of Rs. 14,80,433 only. This low balance is in accordance with the recently advocated policy of low balances and resort if necessary to the provisions of Section 59 of the Act.

The following are excerpts from the proceedings of a special meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay, held on the 22nd February.

Submitted the Budget Estimate of Income and Expenditure of the Board for the year 1906-07.

The provisions of the Act relating to the Annual Estimates are contained in Sections 83, 84 and 85. The Chairman was assisted in preparing the Budget by the Finance and Establishment Committee to which the name of the Hon'ble Sir Walter Hughes, C. I. E., was added for the purpose. A draft of the Budget was duly circulated to this Committee and was considered by them item by item at meetings held on 5th and 7th February.

A printed copy of the Budget, as passed by the Committee, was circulated to each Trustee on 12th February, and has been in their hands for 10 clear days as required by Section 83 (2) of the Act.

It was agreed with regard to the provisions made for the Chairman's salary and allowances, that no leave allowances should be paid to the Chairman without reference to the Board.

The provision made in the Revised Estimates for 1905-06 for outlay on the Administrative Offices chargeable to Capital was, at the instance of the Chairman, increased from Rs. 132,300 to Rs. 40,000.

The General Account shows a credit balance of Rs. 3 75 045, which is available to meet current Capital Expenditure, and under Capital Account after making provison for a fresh loan of Rs. 30 lakhs, the closing balance to be carried forward to 1907-08 amounts to Rs. 14,80,433.

It was resolved :—

Resolution—The Budget as framed by the Chairman, with the assistance of the Finance and Establishment Committee is sanctioned and should be submitted to Government as required by Section 85 of the Act. A copy of the Budget should be sent to the President of the Municipal Corporation.

SUIT AGAINST THE "RAILWAY TIMES."

DAMAGES FOR ALLEGED LIBEL.

YESTERDAY in the High Court before the Hon. Mr. Justice Scott, the suit was mentioned in which Ardeshir Pestanji Motafaram is the plaintiff, and (1) J. A. Balfour, publisher of the "Railway Times" weekly newspaper; (2 the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants of India and Burma, proprietors of the paper; and (3) C. M. Lancaster, Superintendent of the Bombay Education Society's Press, at Byculla, the printer of it, are the defendants. The Hon. Mr. Raikes, and Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Kanga and Patel, appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Inverarity and Mr. Strangman, instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir, Hormasji, Dinshah and Co., appeared for the defendants. The case has been reported; it is an action for damages for libel, laid down at Rs.7,000, with costs. When the case was called on last Monday, there was a conference between counsel; certain terms were proposed and the hearing was postponed till yesterday pending their acceptance by a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Amalgamated Society, which is the second defendant in this suit.

The Advocate-General mentioned the case to the Judge.

The Judge : Is it a consent-decree ?

The Advocate-General : It is, my Lord.

His Lordship passed the necessary orders.

The terms of the decree are as follows : (1) Defendants should render to the plaintiff a full apology in the terms hereto annexed. (2) Defendants to pay to the plaintiff all his costs of this suit as between attorney-and-client and party-and-party, including costs reserved. (3) Defendants should pay to the plaintiff Rs. 200 in respect of his costs of the police prosecution (under the Press Act), against the first and the third defendants. (4) The apology should be published at defendants' costs, once in the "Railway Times," once in the "Times of India," and once in the "Jam-e-Jamshed." (5) The sum of Rs. 200 deposited (by the defendants) in Court, to be withdrawn by the plaintiff, for costs referred to in clause 3.

The apology referred to in clause, is as follows : With reference to what appeared in our issues of the 15th and 22nd July last under the headings of "A Serious Complaint : Victoria Terminus," and "More Letters re Victoria Terminus," regarding certain alleged complaints of molestation of Parsee school-girls, at Victoria Terminus, with our comments thereon, and which were reproductions from the "Akbar-e-Souda ar" newspaper, of the 12th, 13th, and 14th July last; Suit, being suit No. 766 of 1905, was filed in the High Court of Bombay for damages against the undersigned by Mr. Ardeshir Pestonji Motafaram, who holds a stall at the Victoria Terminus Station, on the ground that the said publications referred to him, and were grossly libelous, and that thereby he had been seriously harmed in reputation and character; we had, when we published the articles, no reason to believe that it referred to Mr. Ardeshir Pestonji Motafaram, who was personally unknown to us. Assuming that the article in question referred to Mr. A. P. Motafaram, we believe the allegations in it to be wholly unfounded, and without justification. We, therefore, hereby express our sincere regret that we incautiously repeated these allegations, and we hereby unreservedly disaffirm and contradict the same; and apologize to Mr. Ardeshir Pestonji Motafaram for having allowed them to appear in our paper. The said suit has been settled on our agreeing to pay Mr. Ardeshir Pestonji Motafaram all attorney-and-client and party-and-party costs thereof; and Rs. 200, the cost of the Police Court prosecution instituted by him against two of us; and on our rendering to him this apology.

THE HOUSE COLLAPSE DISASTER.

CORONER'S FURTHER ENQUIRY.

Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner for Bombay, conducted further enquiry at the Morgue, yesterday (at 6 p.m.), regarding the death of Kashibai, the Hindu woman who was killed by the collapse of a house in Cheera Bazaar on the 23rd ultimo. Superintendent Stanford led the evidence.

Babaji Ganoo, the carpenter engaged on the house further examined deposed to having heard a cracking of the roof, when a part of the south wall was removed, six or seven days prior to the collapse. From this, witness thought that the roof was shaky. There was weight of the tiles on the roof then and witness had about twenty basketfuls removed and put on the roof of the adjoining house to the south. Some of these tiles were also put on the part of the roof of the house that fell towards the west side. They were piled in small piles in different places for safety. There was no special weak part in the roof. It was only the one crack that gave warning of danger. When witness heard the crack half of the south wall from top to bottom had been removed and posts had been put in before any part of the wall was demolished. It was the middle part that was then removed. Before the fall the whole of the south wall was removed except some pieces at east and west. Witness did not tell the police that it was himself who had put up the wooden prop under the roof. None of the carpenters attended the house two days before the fall because carpenters work was not wanted. They came there after two days' absence and the roof fell half-an-hour after they came to work.

After some further evidence, the inquest adjourned till Wednesday next.

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THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Major F. W. Wodehouse, Political Agent, Fourth Grade, on return to duty, to be Assistant to the Agent to the Governor, Kathiawar.

The undermentioned Sub-Divisional Magistrates in the district of Surat, are empowered to call for and examine the record of any proceeding before any inferior Criminal Court situate within the local limits of their respective jurisdictions :—Mr. A. W. Varley, I. C. S. and Mr. B. W. Kissan, I. C. S.

Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner of Bombay, is granted leave out of India for six months from the 28th April or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. G. H. Cowan, I.C.S., Assistant Collector and Magistrate of the First Class in the district of Belgaum, is empowered to try in a summary way all the offences mentioned or referred to in section 260 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Mr. E. F. Green, Second Grade Superintendent of Police, has been allowed furlough for ten days in continuation of leave.

Mr. F. C. Griffith, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Thar and Parkar, is granted, with effect from the date of relief, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough on medical certificate for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to one year.

Captain R. W. Antony, M. B., I. M. S., on relief by Captain C. H. S. Lincoln, M. R. C. S. (E.), L.R.C.P. (L.), I. M. S., to act as Civil Surgeon, Ratnagiri, pending further orders.

The Honourable Mr. A. C. Logan, I. C. S., is granted privilege leave for three months in combination with special leave on private affairs for three months from 1st April, or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. J. D. Maitland-Kirwan, Assistant Conservator of Forests, First Grade, has been allowed an extension of leave on Medical certificate for six months in continuation of leave.

Mr. P. R. Cadell, I.C.S., is appointed a Collector, Class II, in the Imperial Customs Service with effect from the 3rd of March, and is posted to Bombay.

The following officers to be visitors of the Lunatic Asylum, Dharwar, in addition to the present visitors :—The Additional Sessions Judge, Dharwar, and the Chaplain of Dharwar.

The Reverend Canon P. B. Horne, M.A., Senior Chaplain, Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment, has been permitted to retire from the service from the 4th April.

Bombay Volunteer Artillery.—Captain John Wicks Molyneux Hawes to be Major, vice Leslie, transferred to the Supernumerary List; Captains Sydney Armstrong and John James Marsland to be Majors to complete the establishment; Lieutenant Harold Oliphant Coates to be Captain, vice Hawes, promoted; Lieutenant Robert William Rudall Pennington to be Captain, vice Armstrong, promoted; Second-Lieutenant Archibald Edward Boyd to be Lieutenant, vice Coates, promoted; and Second-Lieutenant Constantine George Nomico to be Lieutenant, vice Pennington, promoted,—with effect from the 9th January.

The following officers, ladies and gentlemen to be visitors of the Lunatic Asylum, Colaba :—The General Officer Commanding Bombay Brigade; the Commissioner of Police, Bombay; the Principal Medical Officer, Bombay Brigade; the Officer Commanding Royal Garrison Artillery, Bombay; the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay; the Physician, St. George's Hospital, Bombay; the Officer Commanding the British Infantry Unit at Colaba; the Second Presidency Magistrate, Bombay; the Officer Commanding Station Hospital, Colaba; the Superintendent, His Majesty's Common Jail; the Commandant, Native Infantry, Marine Lines; the Third Presidency Magistrate, Bombay; the Personal Assistant to the Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay; the Superintendent, His Majesty's House of Correction; Mrs. Grattan Geary; Mrs. Rustom D. N. Wadia; Mr. Silas M. Moses and Mr. Lovat Fraser.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to re-appoint the following gentlemen members of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Karachi, viz. :—Mr. D. McIver and Mr. W. U. Nicholas.

ASSAULTING A POLICE CONSTABLE.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, sitting at the High Court, have disposed of an application for revision in a case against Adam Sadik Bheemla, who was convicted by Mr. S. Ratanji, first class Magistrate at Godhra, in October last, of voluntarily causing hurt to a public servant, while in the discharge of his duty as such public servant, and was fined Rs. 100, or in default one month's rigorous imprisonment. In appeal Mr. C. E. Palmer, Additional Sessions Judge of Broach, upheld the conviction, but reduced the fine to Rs. 50. Mr. T. R Desai appeared for the accused.

The complainant was a police constable, and the evidence for the prosecution proved that, at the time the hurt was caused, he was dressed in his police uniform and had his belt and the cap with the monogram. He was also at the time in the discharge of his duty. He deposed that he went with the naik to Abraham Adam, and brought him to the place of dispute. There was a crowd of 50 or 60 men, and the accused gave Abraham a blow with his stick. Complainant interfered, and a blow with the same stick was struck him by the accused. He, however, succeeded in snatching away the stick from him and gave it to the naik. He then went to fetch the chief constable, and the accused was arrested in his house, where he had hid himself. As the complainant was alone, and there was a great crowd, they were not in a position to arrest the accused there and then. Abraham Adam was the man who was hurt by the accused, and it was in rescuing him that the complainant was beaten. The accused tried to prove an alibi, but it had totally failed. He stated that he had gone to his field on that day for the partition of the field amongst his two brothers. Russool Moosa, who was a near relative of the accused, said he had gone to the field with the three brothers about 10 or 11 a.m. There they rested till 5 p. m. They then partitioned the field and returned after sunset, and when the accused returned to the town, he was arrested. The Magistrate remarked that, if accused came from his field as alleged by the witnesses, there was no occasion for him to enter his house and hide himself. He was convicted and sentenced as mentioned above. Mr. Palmer, in disposing of the appeal, said the sentence appeared to be a little heavy as the accused was a cultivator and presumably not overburdened with wealth, and the complainant was only slightly hurt. The fine was reduced from Rs. 100 to Rs. 50.

Their Lordships rejected the application.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS BY MAJOR T. W. CUFFE, A. D. C. COMMANDING.

Bombay, March 9.

1 The Camp will open at Santa Cruz on Saturday afternoon the 10th instant and the first parade will be held on Monday the 12th instant at 6-30 a. m. Standard Time.

2 Members are informed that on application to the B B & C I Railway Head Office accompanied by Rs 5 they can obtain a Railway Pass available from 10th to 22nd March inclusive between Church Gate and Santa Cruz.

By Order
T. W. CUFFE, Major.
Commanding B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FEBRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, March 9.

113 Musketry—Sunday the 11th instant.

The Ranges at Ghat Kopar and Santa Cruz will be available for Class Firing.

114 Medals—Applications for Volunteer Long Service Medals should reach Adjutants office by the 15th instant.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, March, 9.

DRILLS.

No 1 Coy—Battery Drill at Colaba North Fort on Saturday, the 10th instant at 5-15 p m. Parade at the B V A Club at 5 p m.

A STIFFE, Capt R. A.
Adjt. B. V. A.

NOTICE.

"Mixed Smoker Concert" will be held at the B V A Club, Apollo Bunder on Saturday the 10th instant. Tickets may be obtained at both Head Quarters and at the Club

HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE.

Many people allow their conversational talents to remain hidden under a bushel for sheer lack of exercising them. This, however, is easily obviated by selecting an attractive subject to talk about—personalities are the most interesting topics—and then delivering yourself loudly and decisively. If others are rude enough to interrupt or to converse amongst themselves it is usually easy to drown their voices by your own, and, having, at last secured an attentive audience, you may harangue to your hearts content. The most desirable position to occupy is that immediately in front of the fireplace, your feet resting on or about the mantelpiece.—"The Granta.

I suppose there never was a novel reader who did not, when reading a story in which he was interested, turn to the last page before the courtship was quite over, and try to find out what was the end of the drama—who married who, it amounted to in the older novels. I doubt if the casual reader ever gave much attention to the pains bestowed upon the composition of those final paragraphs. Indeed, the older novelist had an instinctive tendency to slur them over, as he knew that the interest had begun to dwindle from the moment at which the difficulties of the inevitable lovers had been overcome. So in the end it usually happens that William marries Eliza and they are happy ever after.—"The Academy."

To the community the children's play-hours are of no account. The occupations with which they amuse themselves when they are not actually being instructed are left out of reckoning. And what is the result? How do the children of the very poor occupy themselves, as a fact, during their so-called playtime? They have no nurseries to which to return. They have no toys. They have no open space available in which they can play childish games; indeed, they know no childish games to play.—The Spectator.

The singing and dancing girl is everywhere in Korea, as she is in Japan, and she is most fortunate of all Korean womankind. She is trained in all the arts and graces known to the Korean mind, and she is the only Korean woman who is trained at all. This gives her a great advantage. She is not attractive, like her little, soft-voiced sisters of Japan, but she is farmore attractive than they to the men of her own world, and this is all that is to be desired.—"Leslie's Weekly" (New York).

There are sportsmen in plenty who wait for the time when the gun or rod must be laid aside before they record their impressions of the days that have given them so much pleasure. They wait so long that distance lends an enchantment that is almost unreliable to everything they write about. If they recall deer-stalking days, they have at least forgotten the burning sun, the intolerable thirst, the attacks of countless midges, and the long crawl, serpent-wise, that led to the point at which they got the much desired opportunity. And for some reason or another, they quite forget the important truth that they sometimes missed their aim, and that the long and laborious pursuit of their antlered quarry ended in the rapid scamper to a place of safety of a stag frightened by the report, but untouched by the bullet.—S. L. Bensusan in 'The Sketch."

In former days the Lord Mayor of London derived the larger share of his honorarium in the form of fees and the proceeds of the sale of appointments under the Corporation. For several reasons this arrangement was not favoured either by the occupant of the office or by the Corporation. A conference therefore took place, a policy of give-and-take was agreed to, and the Corporation, in consideration of the relinquishment by the Lord Mayor of all fees, etc., voted a certain fixed sum to the occupant of the office. The present amount is £10,000 the increase on what was originally decided upon being granted on the Lord Mayor pledging himself to add to the number of entertainments, and in particular to give an annual ball to the heads of other municipalities.

Each Lord Mayor is called upon to give a stated number of banquets, and the members of the Corporation possess the right of an invitation to at least one of these. The choice depends upon a ballot conducted for the Court by the chairman of the City Lands (the premier) Committee, and the Deputy of the Lord Mayor's Ward: but the privilege of exchange is conceded, and is taken free advantage of. The ballot for the current year has just taken place, and now the members are in possession of the result. The banquets in question are seven in number, and include the luncheon in honour of the Prince of Wales (the Master) and the Brethren of Trinity House, and the entertainments given to the Judges and the Bankers and Merchants. These dinners do not comprise by any means all that take place, each Lord Mayor supplementing them with a series of special festivities.

The spider web gown may soon be a reality, for the threads of thousands of spiders are being carefully gathered, unwound and woven into shimmering silken fabrics. On the island of Madagascar this odd industry is carried on, under the direct management of the Governor, who has been appointed by the French authorities manager of what is perhaps the strangest factory in the world. Here spiders toil day and night and die from overwork and from ignorance on the part of the attendants. Therein (says a writer in the "New York Tribune') lies the chief difficulty. The spider seems perfectly willing to spin out in the mango groves of its native land, but it grows sulky when transplanted to the specially prepared cells in the silk spinning factory of Madagascar.

What is it that constitutes simplicity of living? There is, one side, the plain Doric of farm life; drudging from morning starlight to the last western gleams; heavy toil, heavy feeding, and heavy sleep, to recuperate for the next days round of labour. There is the sublimely whimsical impersonation of Moujik by Count Leo Tolstoi, the exalted experimentation of the poet-hermit, by Walden whose sharpened senses and keen spiritual gustation made perpetual banquet at the plain table of diurnal Nature. And at the extreme line of those who are practising the Simple Life, are very substantial householders who will tell one that they are retrenching this year.—Edith M. Thomas in the New York Evening Post.

The problem of to-day is that of the ring of churches just outside the centre—churches that from twenty to thirty years ago were the heads of important Methodist circuits with well-to-do, and sometimes even wealthy, congregations. The names of many of these are household words to us, and it gives us quite a shock to find that they, too in their turn are becoming deserted sanctuaries. Many of them are fine Gothic buildings, eminently suitable for the congregations that gathered to them in the days of their strength, but altogether unsuited to the populations that surround them now.—"Methodist Times."

The wild abandon in which the West Indian indulges when witnessing sports is amusingly illustrated by the conduct of a middle-aged Barbadian at a cricket match. When his fellow-islanders, says the Port of Spain Gazette," took the third wicket for no runs, he rushed on the field, placed his ancient hat on the sward, flung himself flat on the ground, and beating his hands in an ecstasy of excitement, almost sobbed out, Let me die; somebody kill me, At the fall of the tenth wicket he rushed to the front of the pavilion, and in a tone almost pathetic in its ludicrousness cried out, Seven wickets for 99, eight wickets for 99, ten wickets for 99. Oh: let me die.

An interesting family history was told at Tottenham when Mr. John A. Wightman applied for and obtained the renewal of an officence. He had been a sergeant-major in the 17th Lancers, and in 1896 won the medal at the tournament for swordsmanship. His father was in the same regiment, and took part in the Balaclava Charge, in which he was wounded thirteen times. For his bravery he was given a commission. Applicant's grandfather was in the 11th and 7th Hussars, and for distinguished services he also received a commission. His great grandfather fought at Waterloo, and he likewise got a commission.

Mr. Hugh Frank Newall, who lectured at the Royal Institution on Eclipse Problems and Observations, is engaged in astrophysical research at the Observatory of Cambridge, in connexion with the large equatorial presented to the University by his father. He was born in 1857, and inherits his scientific bent on both paternal and maternal sides. His father, Robert Stirling Newall, was a F. R. S. as also was his mother's father, Hugh Lee Patinson. He was educated at Rugby and Trinity College Cambridge His first appointment was as assistant to the Cavendish Professor of Physics, Cambridge, after which he was Demonstrator in Experimental Physics at the Cavendish Laboratory from 1886 to 1890. He is now assistant director of the Cambridge Observatory, and has written many papers on physical and astrophysical subjects.

BOMBAY RACES.

ELEVENTH EXTRA MEETING SATURDAY. MARCH 10.

HANDICAPS.

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Dulcimer 10 3, Killeevan 10 0, Regio 9 10, Trenayr 9 6, Primerole 9 3, Thomond 9 2, Shotover 8 13, Dormant 8 10, Royalist 8 8, Nat Gould 8 7, Fillua 8 7, Kamlatta 8 6, Gunner late Bridge 8 6, Freelance 8 2, Mandeville 7 10, President 7 7, Clynder 7 5, Dakkaw y 7 4, Trencherman 7 0, Flotsam 6 13, and Cleo 6 0—Two top weights not accepting weights to be raised 3lbs.

The First Newcomers' Handicap—Dist 6 furlongs.

The Ranger 9 9, Malik 9 7, Darin 9 3, Thunderbolt 9 0, Gladiator 8 12, Moltke 8 9, Shanwar 8 8, Burham 8 6, Recruit 8 1, Cardiff 7 10, Mail Train 7 8, Sadie 7 7, Africa 7 4, Canal 7 2, Scarlet 7 2, Koolaib 7 1, Mervelious 7 6, Cairo 6 11, Cloraine 6 9, and Salbook 6 4—Two top weights not accepting weights to be raised 3lbs.

The Second Newcomers' Handicap—Dist 6 furlongs

Forath 9 9, Multiform 9 3, Ncoman 8 10, Hookham 8 9, Khurdie 8 7, Toman 8 4, Unzan 8 3, Yakub 8 3, Kurkook 8 2, Machine Gun 7 13, Wadi 7 12, Dublin 7 12, Haughty Boy 7 8, Investor 7 8, Dacolat 7 5, Retreat 7 2, Breachleade 7 2, Shaffy 7 0, and Grey Bird 6 10—Top weight not accepting to be raised 3lbs

The Rosehill Handicap—Distance 5 furlongs.

First Ball 9 8, Careless 9 1, Stock Bell 8 7, Recovery 8 4 Olga 7 5, and Dudds 7 3.

The Callian Plate—Distance 1 mile.

Hampstead 9 12, False Start 9 8, Royal 9 7, Vasco 9 1 Peculiar 8 13, Young Kohinoor 8 10, Mukhool 8 2, Ashtoff 8 2 Talisman 7 13, Forath 7 12, Coger 7 10, Settler 7 9, Ajax 7 7 Saggar 7 5, The Lawyer 7 5, Young Mosumma 7 3, Kour Sahib 7 3, Lomond 7 0, Young Kaiser 6 10, Akyab 6 7, Realips 6 6, and Steel 6 4—Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 4lbs.

The Thannah Plate—Distance 6 furlongs

Tachreet 2 13, Bandit II 9 0, Rose 8 13, Oriental 8 12 Little Joker 8 10, Hermit 8 9, Eed 8 9, Young Gazelle 8 7, Jolly Joker 8 7, Dilerjung 8 6, Gmar 8 6, Grey Fox 8 5, Young Cardigan 6 5, William Rufus 8 4, Sheik 8 3, Mint 8 1, Arabistan 8 1, Nainawa 7 9, Zurriff 7 6, Witness II 7 4, Rummah 7 2, Napoleon 7 0, Kour Sahib 6 13, Exile 6 11, and Dayar 6 7—Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 4lbs.

HORSE STRUCK OUT.

The Lingfield Plate—Primerole; Shotover, Trencherman; Flotram; Cleo; Dulceemier; Killeevan—Two top weights not not having accepted weights are raised 3lbs.

The Auction Plate—Prestwick and Khaneh Kaiaura.

The 1st New Comers Handicap—Darin; Africa; Cairo and Cloraine

The 2nd New Comers Handicap—Daovlat ann Breacpleader.

The Rosehicl Handicap—Dudds.

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The Thannah Plate—Little Joker; Eed: and Arbistan.

The Strangers; Selling Plate—Najeeb; Symore; Young Ghost My Choice, and Stamboal.

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Bombay, 8th March, 1906.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

("Bombay Government Gazette," March 8.)

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Major F W Wodehouse Political Agent fourth guade on return to duty to be Asst to the Agent to the Govr Kathiawar

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Undermentioned Sub-Divisional Magtes in the dist of Surat are empowered to call for and examine the record of any proceeding before any inferior criminal court situate within the local limits of their respective jurisdictions :—Mr A W Varley I C S, Mr B W Kissan I C S. Mr Naranbhai Lallubhai Desai

Mr P Byrne Coroner of Bombay is granted leave out of India for six months from the 28th April or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it

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The Hon Mr A C Logan I C S is granted privilege leave for three months in combination with special leave on private affairs for three months from 1st April or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr Ramchandra Yeshwant Choubal to act as Huzur Deputy Collr Kanara vice Mr Shrinivas Venkatesh Yatgiri proceeding on leave pending further orders

Mr P R Mehta M R A C to be an Asst Survey Settlement Officer of the talukdari estate revenue-survey and to be as such subordinate to the Talukdari Settlement Officer.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to re appoint the following gentlemen members of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Karachi viz D McIver and W U Nicholas

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The Rev Canon P B Horne MA Senior Chaplain Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment has been permitted by H M's Secy of State for India to retire from the service from the 4th April

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In England the play is the thing at a premiere—a column may be given to it, while the acting is dismissed in a brief paragraph or two at the end of the critical reviews. When it is a Pinero play the lack of proportion—if it be granted that it is a lack of proportion—becomes aggravated. Space and time are precious in these days, and when one has attempted to describe in any degree all that a dramatist of the calibre of Mr. Pinero gives him to describe, it is usually found that the end of the tether has been reached. Take, for instance, the production of His House in Order now being played at the St. James's Theatre Tribute, brief tribute, was certainly paid to Mr. Alexander and Miss Vanbrugh. But, generally the other members of a distinguished cast ware dismissed in a general phrase. It is unavoidable on a great fire-night, but it is very hard upon clever people, who add by individual touches to the comprehensive success of the whole. And even the leaders of the company receive all too scanty recognition. Even Mr. Alexander and Miss Vanbrugh did not obtain their deserts. It is true that in a Pinero play it is the author first, and the actors are, comparatively, a bad second. We know that it is Mr. Pinero acting each part, through each representative of it. We know that in all his plays he takes each actor and actress in hand and through them projects his own conception of his characters across the footlights to his audience. We know that he Svengalises them; they are his Trilbys, Each look, each action, each inflection of the voice is either inspired by him, or, if original to the interpreter, is passed by him as being good and sufficient.

Nevertheless, the actors and actresses must have in them that power of interpretation, that sympathy that art which enables them to see and understand what the author is trying to express. In the degree of their perception of his requirements lies the degree of their proficiency in their craft, and in their receptiveness of his creations lies the dgree of the attraction of their personalities to the public. Mr. Alexander may raise his eyelid at the exact moment prescribed by Mr. Pinero, but only a few actors could raise it in just the way Mr. Pinero requires it, and even fewer would understand why it had to be raised in such a why. That shows why Mr. Alexander is a better actor then most actors. And in His House in Order the actor manager of the St. James's is of very great value indeed to his author. His personality is his own not Mr. Pinera's and his personality has a very great share in the appeal of the character of Hilary Jesson to the audience. One has paid tribute to the fire and spirit and sincerity and conviction of Mr. Alexander's performance. But perhaps it has not beed noted how suddenly matured has become the actor's method. There are a depth and fulness in him which there were not before. One feels this in detail as well as in the breadth of effect. He has reduced the wagging—there is no other word for it—of his head almost to vanishing point. He walks more easily. There is less wayward inflection in the voice; it does not nearly so frequently pass from bass to treble without reason. These were always merely small spots on the sun—but they have almost disappeared.

Miss Irene Vanbrugh made the first great success of her life in The Gay Lord Quex. She has waited for His House in Order to equal it. We see the Pinero inspiration in every movement of her He originated each phase, each movement, we feel sure. But in how few actresses would the author have found so responsive a collaborator, so delicate a coadjutor, such a nice appreciation of the aim at which he was driving! The suppressed hysteria of Nina Jesson must be displayed in just exactly the right note glance of the eyes twitch of the hands. There must be absolute naturalness. Not all Mr. Pinero's wonderful hypnotism could put these there if they were not latent. He might hypnotise a thousand actresses before he could find one who would respond so sensitively to every shadow of a suggestion made to her. As Nina, too, Miss Vanbrugh shares in a lesser degree the triumph of the author.

Mr. Herbert Waring has a straightforward part to enact that does not taxt his abilities at all. He plays it as many clever actors could play it but as no actor who was not clever could play it. But take the dreadful old unconscious humbug of Mr. Lyall Swete as Sir Daniel Ridgeley—the exaggeration of all that is worst in narrowminded bigotry and unintentional hypocrisy. His appearance, of course, is detailed for him by Mr. Pinero. But though the author may order the long white beard, he could not possibly give to Mr. Swete that power of making it look absolutely natural, the growth of him, if that power were not there already. Mr. Swete, as the unconscious hypocrite was absolutely lifelike in the cheery, unctuous laugh of affected joviality and warm-heartedness when he was saying something particularly atrocious, something strikingly jarring, something wholly paltry and mean and impossible Mr. C. M. Lowne was the beef-eating son of Sir Daniel, with the red face the typical Englishman with the sensible English intellect. The wooden opacity of the man was delicious. The small, horrible little scheming brain shone through his open countenance. The walk of him was the walk of a Pryce Ridgeley and none other, The mean, cringing little spirit was seen in the way he smoked a cigar. That is the individuality of the actor coming through his power of expression, though one knows that what was requiredof him was set down in meticulous formula by Mr. Pinero,

With these one exhausts the intricate characters of the new play at the St. James's. There remains much fine acting. Miss Bella Pateman has only to be the ordinary ogre-ish British matron; Miss Beryl Faber has only to maintain her features in unbroken icy calm, to suggest unpliability in the set of her shoulders; Mr. Dawson Milward has only to be a broken-hearted man suppressing every sign of grief, to tell us in a flash by one sudden deep note in the voice, or a look or agony in the eyes, the tragedy of a lifetime—and how admirable they all do it. Iris Hawkins has once again to prove that a little may be made into a little boy by some strange phenomenal intuition in the child for no mere training alone could do it, much as it can do. Mlle Marcelle Chevalier had only to be herself as a French governess, and a very charming self she must be. Mr Nigel Playfair, Mr. Herbert Horton, and Mr. Vivian Reynolds played straight characters well and naturally.

Many judicious alterations and improvements are being made in The Little Cherub at the Prince of Wales's Theatre, and as is usal with the indefatigable Mr. Edwardes, the play will continne to be lightened and brightened steadily throughout its run. Old songs are being delected and new ones added. As I have already announced, Mr. Louis Bradfield will come from Daly's to take up the part of Mr. Farkoa who, unfortunately, is will. The character will change with its interpreter. It will no longer be that of an Indian Prince, but of a Russian Grand Duke.

Mr. Charles Hawtrey's lengthy pronouncement on heatrical depression touches one very interesting point:—the enormous increase in the working expenses of a theatre. Take, for instance Mr. R. C. Carton's farce, Public Opinion. This was produced with a star cast, and so it came about that when the salary list and the author's fees were paid no margin was left on takings amounting to £1000 a week Now, obviously, no piece, however clever, can face such a demand when produced in a bijou theatre. The result is, off it comes. What is the solution? Should actors and actresses engaged in a success stick to their high figures and risk a withdrawal? Or should they consent to a rabate after a certain period? Or should they stand out for their big salaries and shorten the run and leave themselves without an engagement? Probably Mr. Charles Brookfield said the cleverest thing about the quandary. What actors want is smaller salaries and larger incomes—the seeming paradox is full of point at this juncture.

Mr. Cecil Raleigh, says however, when I look round and see how indifferently many good parts are played, I say Give the actors yet bigger salaries for the really tremendous effort involved in providing even an adequate interpretation of the parts entrusted to them. But that of, course, is only his fun. The problem, however, will have to be faced. It is either that fancy salaries must go by the board, or that there will be no salaries at all for many capable artists now walking round. The public will suffer, for it wil mean a reversion to the old star-and-padding system which is the curse of the author. Mr. Pinero has done the right thing. He has just given us a play in which the interest is evenly spread It would be terrible retrogression to have the one-part play again American dramatic art still staggers under the burden.

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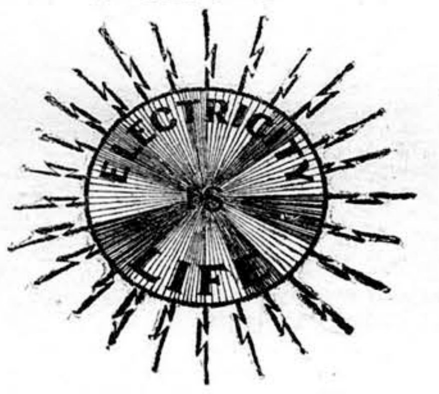

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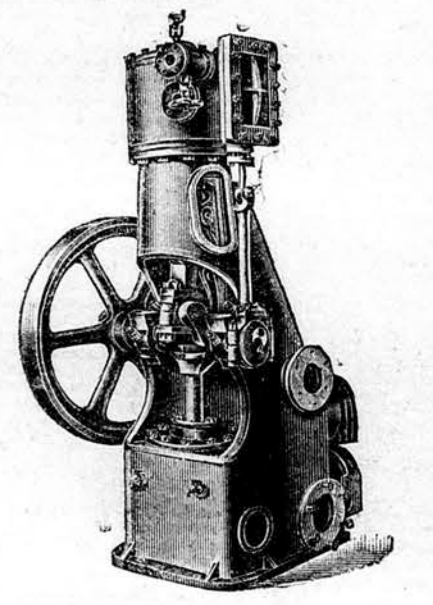

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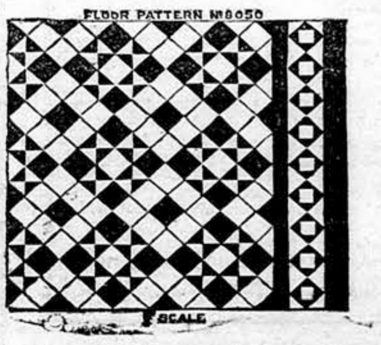

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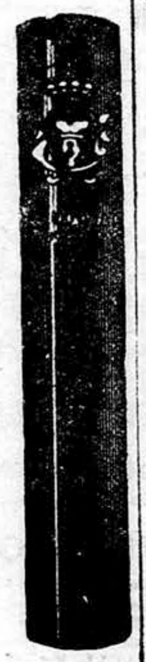

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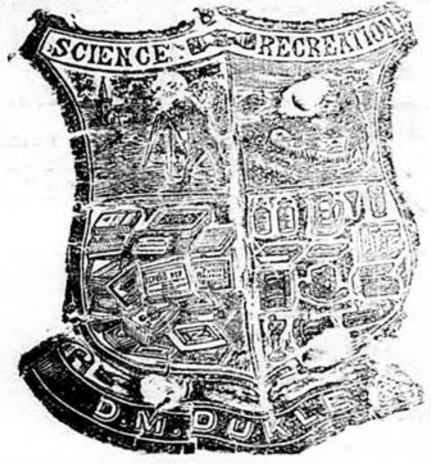

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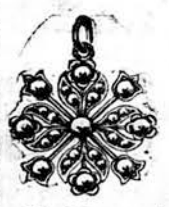

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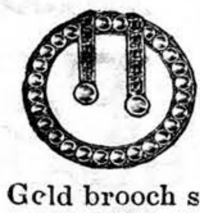

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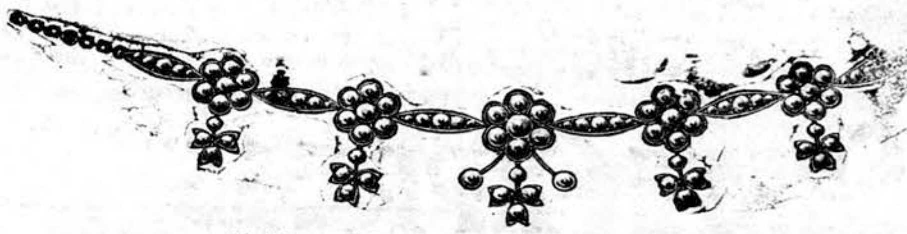

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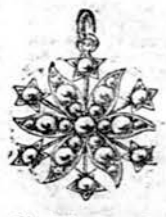

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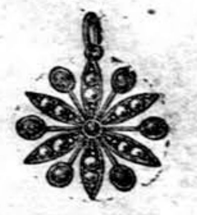

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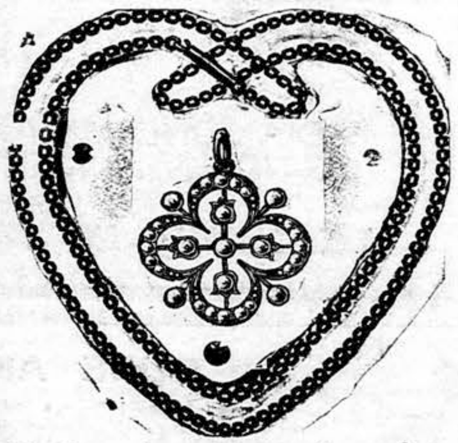

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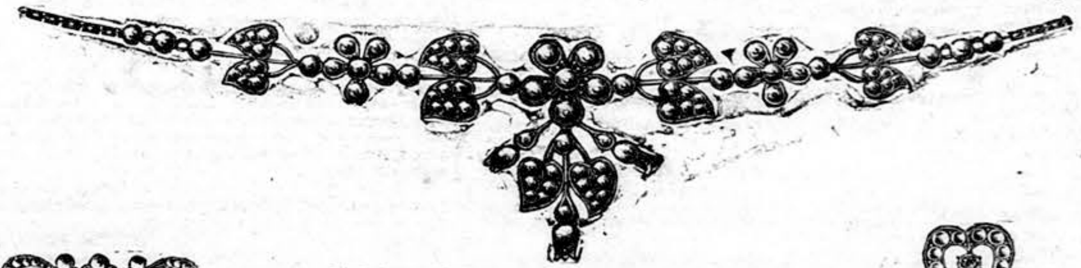

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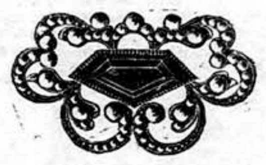

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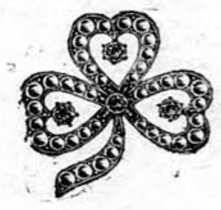

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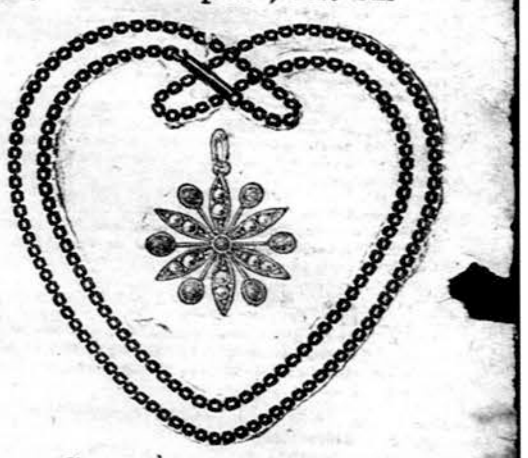

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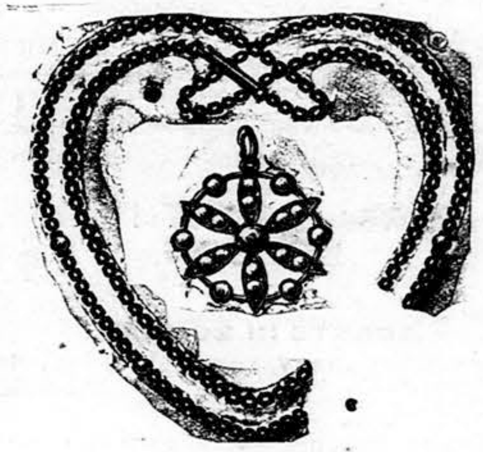

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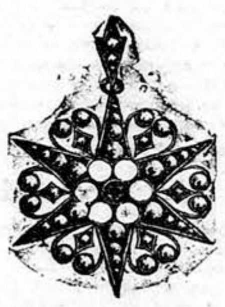

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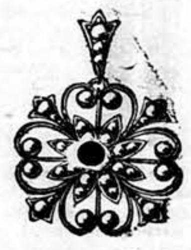

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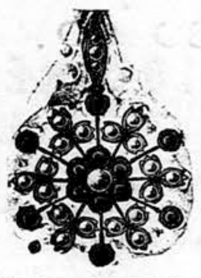

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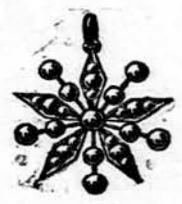

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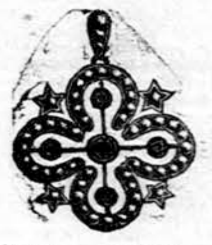

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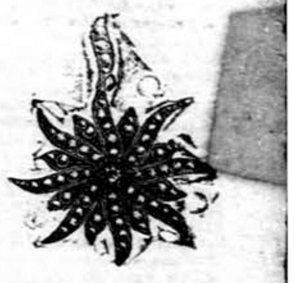

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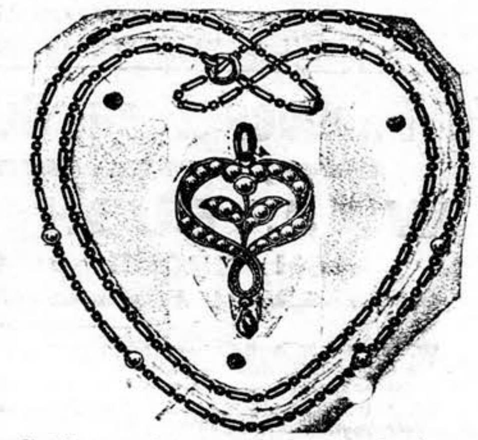

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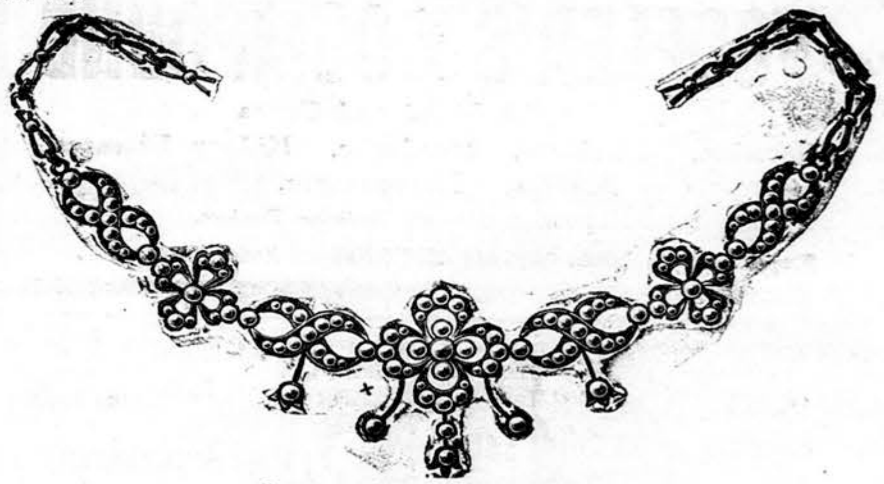

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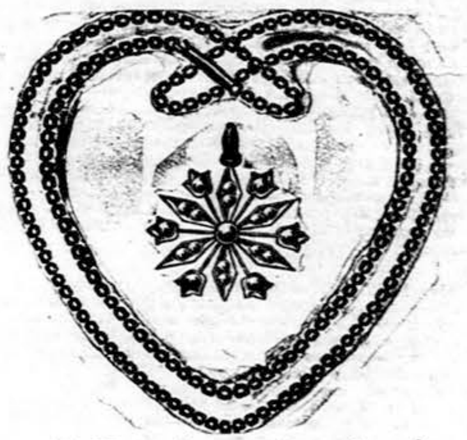

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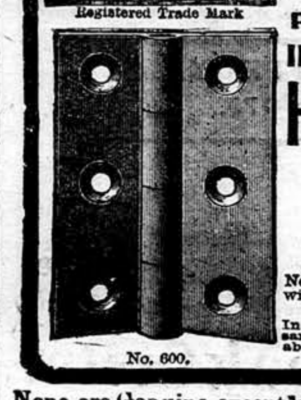

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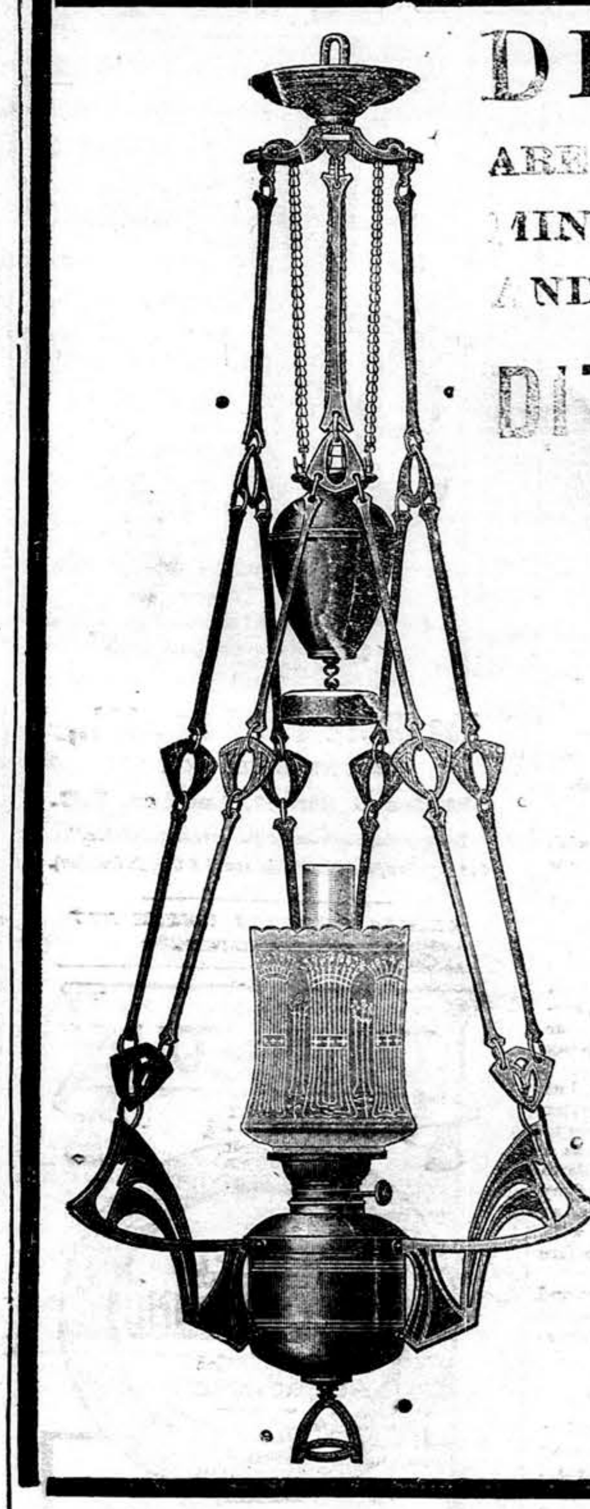

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